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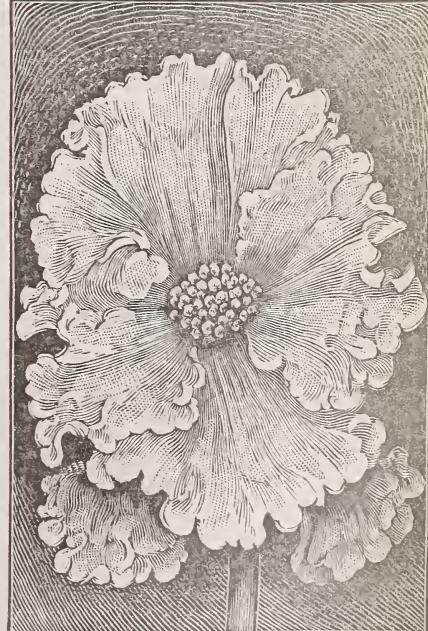
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Aster, Improved Peony-flowered Perfection, incurved double.
Aster, Park's Quilled, best yellow Aster; two feet high, very fine.
Aster, Ostrich Feather large-flowered, many handsome colors.
Aster, New Victoria, large flowers double, imbricated petals.
Aster, Hohenzollern, fine fringed flowers; like Chrysanthemum.
Aster, New Marvel, globe flowered double, white, blood-red centre.
Balsam, Improved Camellia-flowered double as a Camellia, all shades, spotted, easily grown annual; handsome; mixed colors.
Browallia, New Giant, big blue flowers in profusion; pot plants.
Bellis, Giant Double Daisy, hardy edging, also fine for pots; very early spring bloomer; white, rose and crimson, finest mixed.
Calliopsis, New Compact, crimson, gold, marbled, mixed.
Candytuft, beautiful if grown in masses; all varieties mixed.
Canna, New Gladiolus-flowered; Crozy's finest mixed; splendid.
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Chrysanthemum, Annual, foot high, double and single, all colors mixed; very handsome.
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Salpiglossis, large-flowered, gorgeous colors; finest mixture.

Scabiosa, Mourning Bride, giant double-flowered, white, rose, lilac, scarlet, black, blue, etc., excellent for bouquets; mixture.

Schizanthus, Butterfly Flower, Orchid-like blossoms, in profusion; many colors, all richly marked.

Senecio Elegans, an elegant dwarf plant for beds and edgings; very handsome free blooming; mixed.

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Tropaeolum, (Nasturtium). Tom Thumb, dwarf, splendid for beds or pots; rich colors free-blooming all summer; mixed, oz. 15 cts.

Valeriana, a foot high; small flowers in big clusters, fine mixed.

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Viola, Tufted Pansy, finest mixture, all colors, white to purple.

Wallflower, New Parisian, large flower clusters, sweet-scented.

Zinnia, New Mammoth, in fine mixture of all colors, flowers very large and showy as Dahlias, cov ering plant with mass of bloom.

EVERLASTINGS.

Acroclinium, mixed; **Ammobium alatum**; **Gomphrena**, mixed; **Helipterum Sanfordi**; **Heuchrysum monstrosum**, mixed; **Rhodanthe** mixed; **Gypsophila**, mixed; **Xeranthemum**, mixed; **Briza maxima**, Grass. I can supply separate packets of all of these.

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Cypress Vine, white, rose and scarlet mixed; fine foliage.

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Maurandya, lovely vine, mixed.

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HARDY BIENNIALS AND PERENNIALS.

Aquilegia, Columbine, beautiful perennials, rich colors mixed.

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Carnation, Hardy Garden, double, sweet-scented Pinks; mixed.

Centaurea, Ceratium, Chelone Chrysanthemum, Coreopsis, Crucianella, Dianthus, Gaillardia, 5 cts.

Delphinium, Orchid-flowering, hardy perennial; big spikes, rich.

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Hollyhock, Chater's Double very finest strain of fluffy blooms.

Linum Perenne, Perennial Flax rich flowered bedding plant, mxd

Pinks and Picotees, fine gar den plants, flowers double, rich.

Platycodon, hardy perennials, blue and white flowers, mixed.

Perennial Phlox, a grand per ennial; seeds start tardily; mixed

Perennial Poppy, huge foliage rich bloom; finest hybrids.

Perennial Pea, Everblooming large clusters, red, white, mixed.

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Abutilon, Chinese Maple, bell flowers, white, yellow, red, mixed.

Asparagus, ornamental, mixed.

Begonia, Fibrous and Tuberous rooted; everblooming all colors.

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Cineraria, large-flowered, winter-blooming plants, showy. Mixed.

Coleus, New Fancy, fine pot and bedding foliage plants. Mixture.

Cyclamen, large-flowered, winter bloomers, colors mixed.

Cyperus, Umbrella Plant, a lovely water plant; grown in a large pot it is as fine as a Palm.

Geranium, Zonale, choice, large-flowered, large-clustered sorts.

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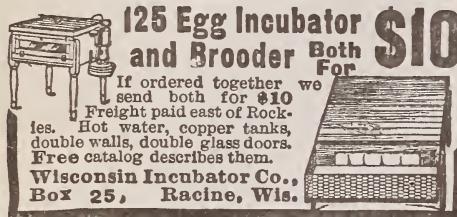
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QUESTIONS.

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Smellage.—Who will tell us through the Magazine the true name of the old-fashioned plant called Smellage by our grandmothers?—Mrs. B., Cochise Co., Ariz., Feb. 6, 1910.

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Dear Mr. Park:—I have belonged to your floral family since 1895, and have been a reader of your Floral Magazine ever since that time. I have obtained more information about flowers from it than from all the other floral magazines that I ever read. Sometimes I could hardly wait for the Magazine to come, and I read every copy from cover to cover, advertisements and all. And when the Athenian Club took their imaginary trip to Europe, I gave them your Magazine, and they followed your route.

I am still growing flowers, both seeds and plants. I am seventy-two years old, and six years ago was crippled so that I have to use one crutch; but as long as I can walk at all, I shall try to grow flowers. I wish you success, and many years to grow flowers and publish your Magazine.

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Birdie Stone.

Crawford Co., Ky., Feb. 2, 1910.

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Carrot, Scarlet Horn, Chantenay, Long Orange, Ox-heart; also Danvers. Pkt. 5c, oz. 6c, $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20c, lb. 75c.

Cauliflower, Early Snowball. Per pkt. 10c, oz. \$2.00.

Veitch's Autumn. Pkt. 5c, oz. 50.

Celeriac, Large Smooth Prague. Pkt. 5c, oz. 12c, $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 40c, lb. \$1.50.

Celeri, White Plume, Pink Plume, Giant White Solid, Rose-ribbed Paris, Golden Heart, Giant Paschal; also Boston Market, Golden Self Blanching. Per pkt. 5c, oz. 20c, $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 60c, lb. \$2.00.

Chervil, curled. Per pkt. 5c, oz. 10c, lb. \$1.00.

Chicory, Large-rooted; leaves used as a salad; roots roasted and ground, largely used for a substitute for coffee. Pkt. 5c, oz. 10c, lb. \$1.00.

Collards, True Georgia; leaves cooked as substitute for Cabbage in the South. Pkt. 5c, oz. 10c, lb. \$1.00.

Corn, Early Giant, Country Gentleman, Improved Evergreen Sugar, 2-oz. pkt. 5c, $\frac{1}{2}$ pt. 12c, 1 pt. 20c, qt. 35c.

Corn (for popping), White Rice, Mammoth White Rice, Golden Queen, Pearl. 2-oz. pkt. 5c, $\frac{1}{2}$ pint 20c.

Corn-Salad, Large-leaved; grown in fall for winter and spring use as substitute for Lettuce. pkt 5c, oz 10c, lb. \$1.

Cress, curled. Used as salad. Pkt. 5c, oz. 10c, lb. \$1.00

Cucumber, Early White Spine, Jersey Pickle, Long Green, Early Cluster, West India Gherkins. Pkt. 5c, oz. 15c, $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 35c, lb. \$1.00.

Dandelion, Large-leaved French; used as early greens. Pkt. 5c, oz. 25c

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This *Salvia* has been much improved by the efforts of florists, and there are now many varieties, differing in habit and general appearance. They are all very easily grown from seeds as well as cuttings of the active branches. Some grow four feet high, with enormous spikes of bloom late in autumn; some have drooping spikes; some are dwarf and compact, and come into bloom early in the season. These early varieties are the best adapted for amateur cultivation from seeds, as the plants may be started in boxes in April or May, and come into bloom early in autumn. They are also the best adapted for pot culture, being

low and compact in habit. The most popular of these dwarf kinds are Zurich, Bonfire, Fireball and Alfred Ragineau. These are all compact, and bear large spikes of rich scarlet flowers. They are lovely and long-blooming in pots, and very attractive. Set ten inches apart in an out-door bed they make a grand display throughout the autumn months. The robust varieties, known as Grandiflora, Giant Scarlet, etc., make a gorgeous border or bed in the garden, and are exceedingly showy, where a brilliant autumn display is desired. They are all readily grown from seeds, which germinate in from two to three weeks.

In sowing, the seeds should be covered about an eighth of an inch and the boxes kept rather warm and sparingly moist. If kept wet, the seeds are liable to rot. The bed to which the plants are transplanted for blooming, should be very rich, and in a warm, sunny situation. Fine manure and loam in equal parts will not be found too rich. When the plants are grown in pots, see that good drainage is provided.

When we consider the showiness and beauty of the improved varieties of *Salvia splendens*, we are led to wonder why the plants are not more popular. They are first-class flowers for either pots or beds, and as they are grown readily from either seeds or cuttings, there is no reason for their neglect. The engraving on this page is a fair representation of a blooming plant and gives some idea of its grandeur.



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VINES FOR SHADE.

ADLUMIA CIRRHOSEA grows and blooms beautifully in a dense shade. Plants are started from seeds sown out-doors early in spring, and at the North given the protection of a frame without a top, or



ADLUMIA CIRRHOSEA.

simply a box with top and bottom removed. This keeps the sun and wind from affecting it in winter. The second year it will grow fifteen feet high, and show a profusion of delicate pink flowers in clusters, while the foliage is as pretty as the most delicate Maiden-hair Fern. The common Parlor or Irish Ivy is another vine especially adapted for a deep shade. It rarely blooms, but the foliage is beautiful, and the growth very rapid. The Bitter-sweet vine will grow either in sun or shade, and also the Native Ampelopsis. The Cucumber Vine (Echinocystis) and Sicyos angulata, both members of the Gourd family, do fairly well in shade, and the seeds of both should be sown in autumn.

Maman Cochet Rose.—Mrs. Shirley wants to know what is the best ever-blooming Rose for nothern Missouri—one that blooms freely and continuously, is of fine form, and hardy. The Maman Cochet Rose, either pink or white, probably has no superior in the qualities named. Like other ever-blooming Roses, however, it should be well cultivated, and pruned regularly during the summer, taking off a portion of the branch with the fading flower, to encourage the growth of new branches and buds. When hot weather approaches apply stable litter liberally about the plants, to evaporate and keep the soil cool and moist.

Trailing Arbutus.—This is known in Botany as Epigaea repens. It has leathery evergreen leaves, and early in spring exquisite little pink flowers, deliciously scented. It likes leaf-mould and a northern, shaded hillside. Like the Laurel it is rarely successful under cultivation, although found in abundance on the mountains of the eastern United States.

Impatiens.—The plants of Impatiens Holsti and Sultani are sensitive to cold, and if allowed to become chilled they will drop their leaves. After being injured in this way, they are a long time recovering. It is almost better to raise new plants from seeds than to endeavor to restore them.

Houstonia Cœrulea.—This is a little four-petaled flower found in wet places in early summer, bluish white with a yellow eye, on a little stem three inches long. The plants appear in clumps, and are a mass of the delicate little flowers. They are easily grown, and are advertised in the Magazine every summer.

Plant Lice.—To get rid of plant lice on Vinca or other plants sponge the leaves with hot soap-suds and rinse by dipping the plant in hot water, slightly hotter than the hand will bear. Give this treatment at intervals of three days until the plant is cleansed. To ward off further attacks place chopped tobacco stems over the soil in the pot.

VARIOUS FLOWERS.

ZEPHYRANTHES ROSEA is a handsome Amaryllis-like plant often known as Amaryllis rosea. Flowers are small but of a delicate pink color. They are easily grown in pots in winter or in the garden in summer. They have no enemies. The Peachblow Hibiscus is a beautiful double flowered shrub, of *Hibiscus Sinensis*. The flowers are of large size and of a pretty yellowish rose color. Grown in pots, they will bloom in the window in winter and in the garden in summer, as they are evergreen and ever-blooming. In the South they are



CYCLAMEN.

should they be kept too wet while growing. They should not be allowed to become stunted from neglect, as it is a serious setback to their early blooming. They are practically free from disease and enemies. *Genista Monosperma* is a deciduous, half-hardy greenhouse plant belonging to the Leguminous. The flowers are white, pea-shaped, and produced during the summer in small lateral racemes. It is known as Portugal Broom and is said to be free from insects, and of easy culture.

Palm Treatment.—To remove scales from a Palm, brush them loose and syringe with hot tobacco tea or soap-suds. In summer set the plant out where it will be shielded somewhat from the storm. Set the pot inside of a larger pot with sphagnum moss between the pots and over the soil. This will prevent the rapid evaporation and consequently the browning of the leaves, which is so common. If the plant is root-bound, it should be transferred to a larger pot early in the spring. In transferring, the soil added around the margin should be thoroughly rammed or made firm, and a portion of the surface soil removed and replaced with fresh soil. Palms that have become root-bound often suffer for want of sufficient moisture, as the water passes down the sides of the pot, and does not permeate the soil among the roots. Keep the leaves clean at all times by sponging occasionally with soapy water, and then sprinkling with clean water.

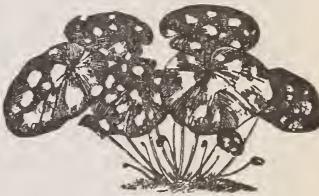
Chinese Sacred Lily.—After blooming in winter in the house, the bulb of this plant should be kept till danger of frost is past, then bedded out. It is of little value for blooming until it regains its vitality.

LILUM SPECIOSUM ROSEUM.

THIS IS a hardy Lily, and when bedded in the garden becomes more beautiful each season. It is one of the most beautiful of the Lily family for garden culture. It can also be grown in a pot successfully. When potted, use from eight-inch to ten-inch pots, setting the bulbs two inches below the surface. This is to promote the development of annual rootlets along the stem which are of much value in the growth of the plant. The hot sun-rays should not be allowed to shine upon the sides of the pot, and a cool, moist atmosphere should be given the plant, if possible, in summer. To prevent the soil from drying out, cover it with sphagnum moss. This Lily can be grown in pots as successfully as in the open ground, if these precautions are observed. The bulbs may be obtained either late in the autumn or in early spring. They are not subject to disease as are the White Candidum Lilies and Easter Lilies, and hence are among the most satisfactory of all Lilies either for beds or for pots.

Farfugium.—Mrs. Sweet, of Idaho, has a Farfugium which does not do well. When several leaves grow out, they turn brown and brittle on the edges, and have to be removed.

Her plant is probably troubled with red spider. She should sponge the leaves with soap-suds to which a little kerosene oil



FARFUGIUM.

has been added and stirred. A Farfugium that is not in a satisfactory condition in the spring, should be bedded out in a somewhat shaded place on the east or south side of the house, as soon as danger of frost is past. Here it will revive during the summer, and become a handsome plant by fall, when it can be repotted for the house.

Rhododendrons.—The evergreen shrub used in many city parks, bearing beautiful yellow, orange and rose-colored flowers in clusters is the cultivated Rhododendron in many varieties. The plants are mostly propagated in Dutch and Belgian nurseries and exported to America. They are grand hardy plants, well deserving their popularity for lawn and park decoration.

Hoya Carnosa.—This is the Wax Plant, bearing waxy clusters during early summer. It is easily propagated from cuttings placed in sand, and the plants should bloom the second year after they are started. Keep them growing in a rather small pot, allowing the roots to crowd, and keep in a sunny place. Do not cut the clusters, as the same stems bloom each succeeding season.

PLANTS FOR SHADE.

BRUGMANSIA.

AN INQUIRER from Quincy, Mass., has a backyard 50x15 feet, shaded by two large apple trees. She wishes to know what plants she can grow to decorate this back yard. The first requisite in decorating such a plot is to get the ground covered with green. A mixture of *Poa nemoralis*, *Anthoxanthum odoratum* and *Festuca heterophylla* sown over the ground after it is prepared, will make a neat sod that will exist in a shady place. If the shade is too dense for this grass, use plants of Irish Ivy set here and there, keeping the vines pinned down. Or Moneywort (*Lysimachia*) is even better, being more delicate in appearance. Around the trees may be set a circular bed of Lily of the Valley, in which during autumn, some of the hardy bulbs may be inserted. These will flower finely during the early spring season. For the more dense shade, vines of *Adlumia Cirrhosa* can be used to advantage. The more dense the shade the better will these vines grow and bloom. They are strictly biennial vines, and will die after they bloom, but the numerous little black seeds falling to the earth will spring up, so that after the vines are once started a supply of plants will be obtained that will bloom from year to year. The hardy *Cyclamen* and Winter *Aconite* also endure shade, and will last for several years. Where the shade is not too dense, the Day Lily, *Funkia subcordata*, blooms beautifully during the summer, and the beautiful semi-tropical *Caladium Esculentum* or Elephant's Ear, will make a grand display. This plant will even grow and thrive in a dense shade that will kill many other plants, its chief requirement being moisture at the roots. *Cannas* and many other flowering plants can be grown where the shade is not too dense, but I have named enough to start with, and the list can be added to later.



CALADIUM ESCUL.

BRUGMANSIA SUAVEOLENS is an easily grown shrubby plant bearing very large bell-shaped, drooping, deliciously scented white flowers throughout the summer. It is easily started from a cutting taken with a heel. At the South, the plant does well bedded out in the garden and is hardy. At the North it should be kept in a pot with other plants during the winter, as it will not endure frost. It can, however, be bedded out in a sheltered place during summer, where it will make a fine display and make the air redolent with its fragrance. Seeds of this Brugmansia are sometimes offered for sale, but I have never known any of them to grow. The plant is a near relative of the Jamestown weed and is somewhat like it in general appearance, but more delicate and refined. When in Mexico, some years ago, I found this plant popular as a decorative plant in the parks of Mexico City. It seemed to thrive there, and every plant was hanging full of the handsome, fragrant flowers. A large plant in one of my greenhouses blooms freely during the winter season, and when bedded out in summer, it keeps up its display of flowers. It might, therefore, be called an ever-blooming plant. The ease with which it may be grown in summer and cared for in winter should recommend it to all who love showy plants, and it is deserving of more attention than it has received during the past.

Lobster Cactus.—Mrs. Stratton has a Lobster Cactus that has turned yellow, and the branches are falling apart at the joints. She wants to know what is the trouble. It is possible that the plant is root-bound and insufficiently drained. Stagnant water about the roots of a Cactus will invariably destroy the roots and cause the plant to turn yellow and die. When a Cactus plant begins to turn yellow or wilt, it should be taken out of the receptacle in which it is growing, and if the roots are injured, remove them and put the base of the plant in pure sand with good drainage, keeping moist and in a shady place for a while, and new roots will soon form. The plant will thus be restored to its former health and vigor.

Cianthus Dampieri.—This is a herbaceous perennial from Australia, known as Australian Glory Pea. It will grow two feet high, with rather silvery foliage and rich scarlet and black flowers, showy and beautiful. It will endure the mild winters of southern California and Florida. The plants are easily propagated from seeds, but will not endure transplanting, if it disturbs the roots. It is better to start the plants in a cold frame where they are to grow. A hot, dry situation, as the south side of a wall, suits it best. The little engraving represents the plant and its flowers.



CIANTHUS DAMPIERI.

PASSIFLORA.

PASSIFLORA is the general name of a number of species of vines which are easily grown from seeds or cuttings. *Passiflora Gracilis* is a delicate little vine suitable for a small trellis either in a pot or outdoors. The flowers are small, whitish in color and inconspicuous, but are succeeded by handsome scarlet fruits. *Passiflora Edulis* has large blue flowers and purple fruits, which are edible, and which are much prized by some people. The vine will grow fifteen or twenty feet high and blooms well during the summer. It is almost hardy at the North and is found growing wild in Tennessee and southward. *Passiflora Incarnata* has handsome pink flowers and is an exceedingly beautiful vine in California where it is made use of to advantage in the parks as well as private gardens of that State. None of the Passifloras are seriously troubled with insects or diseases, and are, as a rule, of easy culture. Being easily started from seeds, which are inexpensive, it seems strange that they are not more popular among amateur florists than they are. Once started in the South, the plants will remain for years and become more beautiful with age.

Angle Worms.—Angle worms or fish worms are found in moist soil where there is more or less vegetable humus. Under favorable conditions they increase rapidly, and often become numerous in the soil in gardens. When pot plants are removed to a shady place outdoors in summer, without coal ashes being placed beneath, these worms sometimes come up into the pots through the drainage hole, and become troublesome. They may be readily destroyed by allowing the soil to become nearly dry, then watering with lime-water. They may be brought to the surface by tapping lightly on the soil, jarring it and disturbing the worms, and when they appear on the surface they can be removed.

Cyclamen and Primrose in Summer.—The Cyclamen and Chinese Primrose are both winter-blooming plants. In the spring, after the blooming season is over, they should be repotted in pots slightly larger, the Primrose being set just a little deeper than it was before, so that the soil will cover the neck of the plant, but not the crown. Then plunge the pots in coal-ashes outdoors, in a cool, shady place, and keep them watered during dry weather. Thus treated, they will gather strength for active blooming the following winter.

Cyclamen.—After a Cyclamen has ceased to bloom in the spring, shift it into a pot a size larger, and keep it in partial shade outdoors during the summer, where the air will be moist and cool. Here it will gather strength and form new buds for the coming winter display.

CAPE JASMINE.

CARDENIA FLORIDA is known as Cape Jasmine. It is a shrub bearing double white flowers somewhat larger than that of the Oleander, and deliciously scented. It is common in the South, where it is hardy and thrives well outdoors. It likes a rich, sandy and well drained soil, and a warm situation. When grown in pots at the North, the plants should be pruned back just after the flowers fade, and encouraged to make a liberal growth. In summer they may be plunged in coal ashes in a cool, shady place outdoors. Toward autumn give a sunny place and withhold water until the tops harden off and set buds. Keep in a cool, dry atmosphere during winter, and start them into growth about New Year's. The plants are easily propagated from half-ripened wood.



CAPE JASMINE.

Upper Shelf Plants.—For the upper shelf of the window, where the atmosphere is dry and hot, use succulent plants, such as *Mesembryanthemum*, *Echeveria*, *Aloes*, *Cactuses*, *Euphorbia splendens*, *Sanseveria*, *Vinca rosea*, *Portulaca* and *Coleus*. *Portulaca* is not often used as a pot plant, but it will be found satisfactory for the upper shelf if started late in autumn. One of the chief conditions is to keep the plants well watered. This is often neglected, as the upper shelf is hard to reach, and the soil dries out there more readily than below. If sphagnum moss were placed over the soil in the pot, it would be found beneficial in preventing rapid evaporation.

Hydrangea Sinensis.—A subscriber from Nebraska complains that her Hydrangea, which is potted in leaf-mold, does not do well, the growth being inferior, and the buds dropping off. She should pot it in a compost of rotted sods, manure and sand, equal parts. The Hydrangea does not like a light soil. Its best development is in a rather tenacious potting soil, with good drainage. The plant should be kept in a partially shaded place during summer, and given a cool, frost-proof room with little water during winter.

Non-blooming Oxalis.—*Oxalis* bloom better in a rather poor soil and not over-potted. In very rich, clay soil the plants are liable to show only foliage.

BOLTONIA.

BOLTONIA is the name of a small genus of plants belonging to the Aster family. It was named after J. B. Bolton, an English professor of botany. The species are beautiful herbaceous perennials, easily started from seeds, and under good cultivation reach a height of several feet. They are natives of North America, and thrive well, even when neglected. They bloom very profusely in autumn, the flowers being Aster-like in appearance, and of a pink color, disposed in large terminal panicles. *Boltonia Glastifolia* is the more common of the species, and is a favorite garden flower.

On this page will be found a reproduction of a photograph taken upon the grounds of a subscriber living at Hartford, Conn., showing a portion of a glorious bed of *Boltonia* in

OLD-FASHIONED FLOWERS.

A NEW SUBSCRIBER, Olive Umbenhower, Pendleton, Indiana, wishes to know where she can get five old-fashioned flowers: 1, Johnny-jump-up; 2, the *Polyanthus* her mother cultivated in the old-home garden; 3, a house plant with whitish-green, fleshy leaves, and big clusters of delicate pink, star-shaped flowers; 4, a Larkspur-like plant that lives over winter; and 5, an annual a foot high, with fine-cut foliage, and the brightest of red flowers borne at the top or ends of the branches.

The 1st can doubtless be obtained in exchange; the 2d is catalogued as *Primula veris* or *Elatior*, and can be supplied by seedsmen at five cents a packet; the 3d may be the large *Crassula*, popular many years ago. It is still to be found in some greenhouses; the 4th is



BOLTONIA IN BLOOM AT HARTFORD, CONN.

bloom. Mrs. Ella Rockwell, in sending the photograph, wrote as follows:

Mr. Editor:—I am sending you a photograph of our *Boltonia*, taken September 13, 1908. I did not measure the height of the plants, but a comparison with the height of the person will give you an idea of it. This picture only shows a small portion of it, as they were planted in a long curving row. The glorious display of the bed in full bloom could not be represented in a photograph, for it was beautiful beyond the power of camera or pen to describe.

Boltonia Glastifolia is offered in many seed catalogues at five cents per packet. Those who are interested in handsome herbaceous perennials should not fail to plant seeds of it this spring. Once started, the plants will live for a number of years, and yield a profusion of bloom every season.

probably the Perennial Larkspur, *Delphinium Chinensis*, and the 5th *Adonis Aestivalis*, both of which may be obtained from the seedsmen at five cents a packet.

Castor Oil for Plants.—Castor oil is an oil expressed from the seeds of *Ricinus*, the Castor Oil plant. This plant thrives in sandy soil, where scarcely anything else will grow. The oil is often used as a medicine, and we see it occasionally recommended for plants. It is a thick, sticky oil, and its tendency would be to prevent the water from permeating the soil. Its value as a fertilizer doubtless exists more in the mind of the culti-vator than in its inherent qualities.



1. *Impatiens Holstii.*
2. *Eccremocarpus (Calceolaria) scaber carmineus.*
3. *Dianthus laciniaefolius mirabilis.*

The choice flowers shown in this plate are all easily grown from seeds, and will bloom the first season. They are worthy of general cultivation, and can be obtained from seedsmen at 5 cts per packet.

EDITORIAL LETTER.

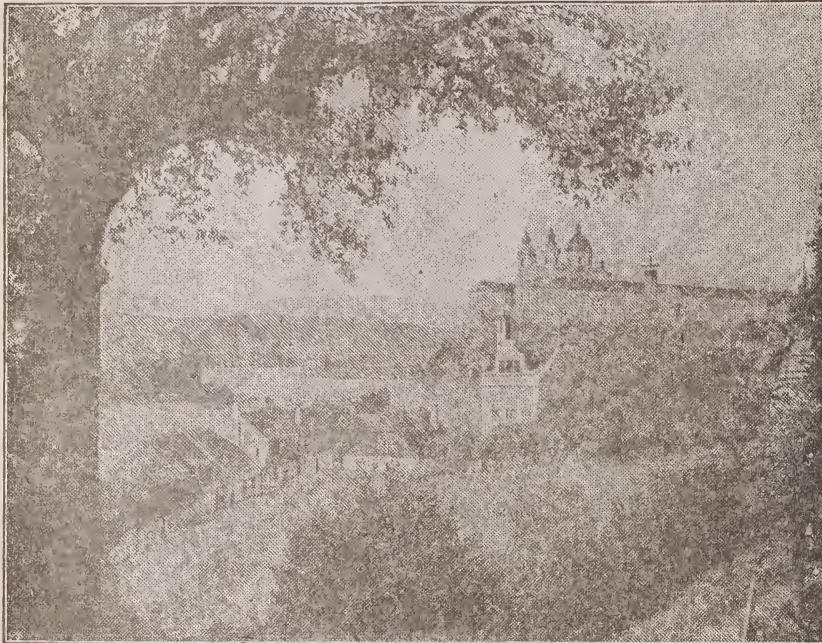


Y DEAR FRIENDS;—It was a delightful summer day when we left Vienna by early train for Melk, a village situated on the Danube river, probably 100 miles from Vienna. The way was through a very picturesque farming country, and the varied scenery was beautiful. Part of the road was along a lovely stream of clear water that rippled along, shaded by overhanging trees, and bordered by

way from the big city to the village was marked by these charming conditions, poetic and enchanting. I confess that I was so much interested in the scenery that the forenoon quickly passed, and I felt a sense of regret when the conductor called out "Melk", and I realized that we were at our journey's end.

But a more glorious trip awaited us. After securing transportation upon the returning steamship on the Danube river, dinner was ordered at one of the little hotels which lined the main street, and after dinner an inspection was made of the immense old castle that surmounts the eminence of the town, and constitutes its chief attraction.

The Melk Castle or Abby shown in the engraving, covers a large space on a high, rocky eminence between the village and the river, and affords a commanding view of the glorious mountain and valley scenery that entirely surrounds it. The promontory is somewhat wedge-shaped, the narrow end being a high and precipitous rock, bold and inaccessible. On



THE MELK CASTLE OR ABBY.

blooming meadows. As we journeyed we crossed several creeks and brooks where there were cozy houses with accompanying vegetable and flower gardens, and Apple and Plum trees bending with ripening fruit. The land was under good tillage, and every stream came through a little valley that afforded a charming picture to the eye. The steeper hillsides were thickly covered with young timber in a healthy, growing condition, thus adding variety and beauty to the landscape. The crops along the way were excellent, and indicated the intelligence and industry of the farming class. The meadows were of a rich green, decorated with a variety of beautiful flowers. The landscape throughout the whole

this end the great edifice was erected, and from it the surface widens and slopes, and is covered with a dense growth of beautiful trees and shrubbery, with lovely winding roads and paths, reaching to the farther edge, which is steep but not precipitous or rocky. How grand the site for a great building! Here the sun first shines in the early morning, and here it lingers last in the evening; in daytime the rays seem more rich and effulgent, and the pure country breeze gives a thrill of physical youth and vigor.

We look off into the distance, north, south, east and west, to the wooded peaks, each surmounted by a huge cross that reminds us of the beginning of the Christian Era, nineteen

centuries ago; then to the intervening farm landscape with its serpentine tree-lined roads, and its numerous villages; then to the great Danube, that has been flowing—flowing in its winding, mountain-banked bed for centuries and scores of centuries before the Christian Era—and oh, the grandeur of these combined scenes with the touching episodes of history embraced, fill the mind with profound awe and reverence. The whole effect transports you above the groveling things of earth, to an imaginary world of beauty, poetry and song. Sweet—oh how sweet are the moments thus given over to dreamland under the lovely Austrian sunshine, and the fanning, perfume-laden zephyrs from the Austrian landscape.

As I dream, I look up, and there, on a high rock at the precipitous river entrance, I see standing in bold array, a mailed knight of past ages, great and strong and brave, looking out over the old Danube, noted in story and song, his spear and helmet in position for an encoultre! My dream becomes more enchanting, and I feel as though the spot is sacred. Ah, Knight of the storied past, sentinel and guardian of the treasures of by-gone years, continue your watch day and night from your high place by the glorious aged river. From your lofty view inspire us with higher ideas of life and its duties. May your heart-shaped helmet, once used as a weapon of defence, indicate to us peace and good-will! and may your spear be as a magic wand, instilling kindness and love and joy into human hearts, and a living hope of the happy age when swords shall be transformed into plowshares, and spears into pruning-hooks, and people shall learn war no more.

As the boat was now due we found our way to the little river landing, and were soon on our way down the river. Of the trip I will tell you in my next. Yours truly,

LaPark, Pa., Feb. 28, 1910. Geo. W. Park.

Phygelius Capensis.—This is a South African shrub easily propagated from seeds. The flowers are scarlet, tubular and drooping. The plant grows three feet high. The lower leaves are obovate, lanceolate, and the upper ones reduced to scales. The foliage does not resemble that of Swainsonia. The form of the flowers is indicated in the little engraving.

Scarlet Freesia.—The so-called Scarlet Freesia is *Anomatheca cruenta*. It grows from eight to twelve inches high, is somewhat like the Gladiolus, and blooms during summer and autumn, the flowers being a rich carmine-crimson. It belongs to the Iris family, and comes from the Cape of Good Hope. The bulbs should be treated as Gladiolus.



ANOMATHECA CRUENTA

THE ORIENTAL POPPY.

THE ORIENTAL POPPY grows three feet high in good soil, and bears at the ground a mass of cut and crimped foliage, rich green and beautiful. Each leaf is long, strong and gracefully arched, like a handsome plume. From this wealth of verdure the stem rises in May, and very soon the big fat buds develop into immense dazzling scarlet flowers, six inches in diameter. When in bloom no garden flower attracts more attention, and no perennial is more tenacious or lasting. That this is the opinion of many is evident from the letters received by the editor, of which the following is a sample:

Mr. Editor:—
The Oriental Poppy is seldom seen in gardens, but what a grand flower it is! Even the beautiful Paeony pales in comparison with it, and it is perfectly hardy. In visiting the gardens of my friends I sometimes wonder that more interest is not manifested in them, because when once started they almost take care of themselves for years.

Leetonia, Ohio, Dec. 10, 1909.

Mrs. McC.

It should be borne in mind that the new Oriental hybrids are an improvement upon the species, the flowers of some varieties being much larger, while the colors range from flesh pink to deep crimson, and one variety has semi-double flowers. All are easily raised from seeds, and easily transplanted, but in transplanting the young leaves are lost. The plants will begin to bloom the second or third year after they are started.

Apple Geranium.—The Apple Geranium of which seeds are offered is a deliciously scented plant, the fragrance being that of ripe apples. It is easily grown from seeds. Mrs. Biddell, of Troy, N. H., asks about the Old Apple-blossom Geranium, bearing pink and white flowers continuously. This is a Zonale Geranium similar to the Geranium called America. I do not know where it could be obtained.

Laurel.—*Kalmia latifolia* is the Mountain Laurel of Pennsylvania. It is propagated from seeds, and is advertised in the Magazine in summer. It does not thrive well in limestone clay, or where the drainage is imperfect. It likes a partial shade, and a northern slope. If such a situation cannot be given it, mulch it well with straw, leaves or stable litter early in summer before hot weather comes.

Dimorphotheca.—This new annual thrives and blooms well in a warm, sandy soil and a sunny situation. It is readily started from seeds.



ORIENTAL POPPY.

CHILDREN'S LETTER

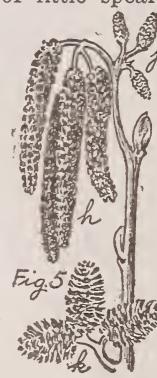
MY DEAR CHILDREN:—This morning, when I looked from my window, a thick fog lingered over the wooded hill where the little church with its spire pointing heavenward stands as a signal of love and duty, and at the foot of the hill the winding Pequea touched the drooping boughs of the big leaning Willows, gleaming with gold in the early morning sunlight. I threw open the window, and a soft, warm, moist air greeted me. I felt that stern Winter was loosening his hold, and that spring was at hand. Very soon I was on my way to the office, and what do you suppose I heard when I stepped out upon the path?



LEANING WILLOW.

birds were at hand. This was the first spring-like morning we have known during winter, and how delightful it seemed. As I passed along, noticing this and that which gave evidence of the Spring's return, I found I was unconsciously whistling a medley of song that had no true ending—a habit of mine under pleasing conditions. Half-way along the path, at one side, a whole company of little spears appeared above the surface in an interrupted row. They gave evidence of the life and growth, and 'ere long blooming of the beautiful Polyanthus Narcissus. In fancy I could see the little fat buds springing, and then the fragrant white and yellow clusters. Just across the water, near the top of the old Butter-nut tree that spans the race, a big group of Alders still held their black pods of last year, k, and showed their drooping, brown bud clusters, h, while below were the twin Viburnum trees with curious curved branchlets and swelling flower heads. Further on were seen the Blackberry group, still holding aloft the old Buckwheat

Just three little spring warblers—harbangers of the coming spring. One sang, then another, and another, and, do you know, those three sweet singers kept up such a happy melody that you would have supposed that a whole flock of merry



ALDER.

vines that so richly covered the briars last fall, tinted crimson and then brown by the icy hand of Jack Frost. While near at hand stood the big double red Maple, one part of which leans over the water, and both showing masses of swelled buds that will soon turn to a rich red, pleasing the eye, and supplying us with the honey which the children and even the older folks enjoy, while the early sap furnishes the maple syrup for our cakes.

But this was not all. I looked up into the Hawthorn that forms a thicket at the left, supporting the beautiful Smilax and Ampelopsis vines, which, with the Elm at the right, constitute a lovely arch-way—yes, up in the dense, thorny branches—and there was the old home of one of the happy song-birds



DANDELION CANDLE, SEED. that interested and cheered me in my daily walks last summer. And across in the Alder and Viburnum and Blackberry bushes mentioned, were other little nests, all reminders of the happiness and cheer of by-gone days. Then up in the tall Maples were the larger nests of the Robin red-breast, while in the decaying trunk, the round door of the Flicker reminded me of the three little heads that peeped out at me daily and chirped a greeting in their pleasing way as I passed daily last summer.

Passing on, not only the old nests of the little songsters were apparent in the thicket of budded Hazlenut and the big vine-covered Ash, but there, singing away at the top of his voice, was one of the three little fellows that had returned. I stopped, looked and listened! I could not but experience a share of the joy that inspired his song, and I felt grateful to the All-wise Being that in His goodness and love, brings to us the seasons in their turn, and provides for us so many sweet and beautiful things to enjoy.

My dear children, these things mentioned, beautiful as they are, I realize as tokens of the richer scenes



BUTTERCUPS.

and melody to follow; and in fancy I could see the grassy meadow across the deep, narrow race, decorated with hosts of Dandelions, the golden bloom and silvery candles making a pleasing contrast. And later, when this decoration would be succeeded by myrads of shining golden Buttercups, recalling the sweet days of childhood by the stream in the old homestead meadow. Then still later in the season, when the green surface will be whitened with the clumps of starry cerulean Houstonia.

Yes, spring is at hand, and I want you all, Dear Children, to note and enjoy the birds, their songs, their nests and their habits; to draw useful lessons from the swelling buds,

the springing seeds, the tender growth, the fragrant bloom, and the seed-vessels in their various stages of development. Study the birds as they build and sing, and rear their little ones among the trees and shrubs and fence-rows. Do not disturb them, but note their habits and actions daily, and the enemies they have to contend with. Study the plants when they grow, noticing how the buds develop into leaves and flowers, how they push quickly forward in the early season, forming their growth and seed-pods in the forepart of the season, and maturing the branches and seeds in the latter part. Note the roots, soil, situation, and all that may be of interest. Thus will you improve your mind, your powers of observation, your store of knowledge, your admiration for Nature's works, and lay the foundation for a happy and useful life.

Sincerely your Friend,
LaPark, Pa., Feb. 28, 1910. The Editor.

Anthony Waterer Spirea.—This is a dwarf shrubby plant about two feet high, bearing throughout the summer beautiful clusters of carmine flowers. In autumn, the foliage is often strikingly variegated, white, yellow and red. It is perfectly hardy. In spring the tops are a mass of old flower branches, which should be trimmed off so that they may not disfigure the new growth.



ANTHONY WATERER.

Sow Bugs.—These sometimes become troublesome in greenhouses, as they destroy the young seedlings and young plants. They may be trapped beneath partly excavated potatoes or turnips and then destroyed. Frogs and toads kept in the greenhouse are regarded as exterminators of these pests. A remedy is to thoroughly cleanse the greenhouses during the summer season, scraping up and removing to some distance all the rubbish or soil in which they are found. Some recommend a mixture of flour paste and parisgreen, but it is difficult to get the pest to eat the poison, and the use of traps as above recommended, will be found the better remedy.

Geranium Plants for Market.—To have Geranium plants for market in the spring, shift the small plants that were started during the winter and growing in two and a half inch pots, into pots three and a half inches in diameter. In these pots they will soon develop into handsome plants and begin blooming, when they are ready for market.

Potentilla.—The Potentilla has flowers not unlike the Strawberry. They vary in color, red, brown, yellow and other shades. Potentilla Formosa is a showy species, and quite pretty. It is propagated from seeds.

LONGING FOR SPRING.

The flowers have slept so long, so long,
Under the ice and snow.
The birds went South with their cheer and song,
So long, so long ago.

The earth has been wrap'd in a mantle of white,
For many and many a day;
The coasting and skating has been a delight
But now we are longing for May.

We're longing for flowers, and birds, and bees,
We're longing for beautiful spring;
We're longing to see the leaves on the trees,
And bees and birds on the wing.

Old winter we love you, but enough is enough,
Please hasten away to your lair;
Give spring a chance, with none of your bluff,
We're tired of trees that are bare.

So hasten away, we've a garden to make,
We must have warm weather, you know
We cannot make gard'n with you hanging round,
With your chilly old ice and snow.

When summer is ended and crops garnered in,
And hidden away from your sight,
Then you may come, with your ice and snow,
And we'll greet you again with delight.

Valentine, Neb., Feb. 16, 1910. Mary Ball.

Cannas from Seeds.—Many persons recommend pouring boiling water on Canna seeds, allowing the water to remain on them until the seed covering bursts; then they are taken out and planted. This is said to be an effectual way to get the seeds to germinate quickly. As a rule, however, seeds of Cannas when fresh will germinate in from two to three weeks by planting them half an inch deep, and keeping the soil moist, not wet, and moderately warm.

Paeonies From Seeds.—Those who have had experience in raising Paeonies from seeds recommend planting the fresh seeds one-half inch deep as soon as ripe in autumn, and giving the bed some protection in winter. The young plants will appear the following spring. Let them remain in the seed-bed two years, then set them out, three inches deep, in September, where they are to remain. They will bloom in about five years after the seeds are sown.

To Rid Coleus of Mealy Bugs.—Scrape off the nests which are formed on the forks of the plant, and syringe thoroughly with hot Quassia chips tea about as warm as the hand can bear, or a little warmer. Two or three applications at intervals of two or three days each, will rid the plants of the pest. To avoid further infestations, place chopped tobacco stems or tobacco dust over the soil in the pots.

Scale Insect.—Mrs. Swanson, of Kansas, complains that her plants are troubled with a scale insect that is greatly injuring them. She sends a leaf of an Amaryllis that is covered with them. To get rid of them she should brush the leaves with a soft brush, and then dip the plants in water heated to from 110 to 120 degrees. A few treatments of this kind will eradicate the pest.

ABOUT CACTUSES.

THE CACTUS family is poorly understood, even by our leading botanists. Many of the common species are meagerly defined, while the majority of the species are extremely plastic, and we may here find several defined species as single variety species. Cultivation also differs materially according to the habit of the various forms of the plants, and climatic habits. But the uncouth oddity of all of the decorative features of some, and the excellent blooming qualities of others, make them good subjects for cultivation. Two cultural rules should be observed: plenty of pot-room produces the best specimen plants, while pot-bound plants bloom better. The species of *Echinopsis* are undoubtedly the most satisfactory all-around plants. All except globular species are benefited by good soil, which may be composed of two-thirds pure sand and one-third ground and manure equally mixed. Good drainage is essential, and care must be taken not to over-

water the plants. Even with the best of care, some plants will perish without apparent cause. According to my list 742 species have been placed in my collection; of these 295 still survive. In securing stock from dealers, cuttings and offsets are preferable, as they are fresh and in a healthy condition, and can easily be rooted in clean sand.

For the benefit of other readers who may consult Cactus catalogues, we may add another plant frequently listed, but never existing in the stock of dealers. *Mamillaria plumosa*, which passes as *M. lassiacantha*. The former is abundant in Central Mexico, while the latter is extremely rare, if not extinct, in lower Texas. They are closely related, but can be easily distinguished by *O. plumosa* developing long bristles in the axils of the tubercles, while *O. lassiacantha* does not.

Galesburg has a large number of Cactus fanciers, which, with some from other portions of the country, with which I come in touch, affords a good opportunity to acquire a knowledge of dealers' stocks in relation to



GROUP OF CACTUS PLANTS.

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The engraving in the January Magazine entitled "Old Man Cactus" is *Pilocereus senilis*, and should not be confused with the Old Man *Opuntia*. The Cactus described by Mrs. Warren is *Opuntia leuothrix* (synonym *O. fulvispina*). I have never heard a common name for it, except in instances where it has been sent out as *Opuntia* or Old Man. It is the only *Opuntia* that develops almost pure white spines of that notable length and flexibility. Varieties of our *O. Missouriensis*, and

what they should be. I am inclined to be prejudiced in favor of accurate nomenclature, which I regret is miserable in the horticultural business as a whole, and particularly in the specialty line of Cactuses and succulents.

Galesburg, Ill., Feb. 10, 1910. C.Z.Nelson.

Hydrangea and Phlox.—Mr. Park:

—I want to tell you of my bed of Phlox Drummondii, which was just a solid mass of bloom from the time it began to bloom until frost. The flowers were all colors and shades, and many variegated. My hardy Hydrangea grandiflora is as white as a snowball every autumn. Last fall some of the panicles measured thirty inches long and thirty inches in circumference.

L. E. Clarrol.

Braxton Co., W. Va., Jan. 3, 1910.

CONCERNING CACTUSES.

DURING its summer growth the Cactus plant takes in and stores up enough water to supply itself during its complete drought in fall and winter. It thus gains size and vigor for the next year's bloom and seed, as does an onion, beet or turnip. The thick, succulent body of the Cactus is a storehouse of fluid nutriment to overcome the tensely arid air in which it grows. The winter-shriveling of a Cactus seems to thicken and enrich the juices, and cause the plant to bloom all the more. I have seen our beautiful Globe Cactus shrink away to half its size in winter; then the heavy spring rains would swell it out again to its former size, and it would bloom freely. Cactus plants must be kept in a cool, light place during winter and not watered much in cold weather. In hot weather of summer, apply water copiously. Cactus cuttings root well in the heat of summer in moist, sandy soil, but a low temperature with moisture will rot them just as such conditions rot the bean and cucumber seeds. If a Cactus cutting is obtained early in spring or late in fall, lay it on top of the soil in a house-plant-pot until warm weather comes, then put in moist soil or sand, and it will be sure to root. If planted in the sun of a corn-growing State, it will root more surely, but the soil must be kept very moist in that case.

D. Divinnie.

Jefferson Co., Col., Feb. 17, 1910.

Marking Flowers.—I find that marking stakes and driving into the individual flower patch is very unsatisfactory, as the wind and rain obliterate the writing, and the stakes are often insecurely driven. So now I take a facsimile copy of my bed on paper, the same number of plots, and placed exactly in the same position. I mark it N. for North, S. for South, and then I mark on my map the name of seeds sown, the date of sowing, and expected date of sprouting. This works like a charm. I must have sown two hundred varieties last year, new sorts, and I knew what each one was. I did the same thing with Dahlias. I had over one hundred tubers, more than half new, and they were planted in a huge semi-circle. By making a copy of this circle with names thereon, I was able to tell what each was. In the fall I had over two bushels of tubers.

Mrs. R. Winter.

Hamilton Co., Ohio, Jan. 14, 1910.

Painting Stands and Pots.—Paint your wire plant stand with aluminum polish, such as hardware men use, also all your pots, and see how nice and clean everything looks. You will be surprised how well it harmonizes with the foliage. I have found it very durable and easy to apply. It dries quickly and is satisfactory in every way.

Nellie.

Brown Co., Ohio, Nov. 5, 1909.

AQUILEGIA.

THIS WELL-KNOWN plant grows here in dry situations. One native species is always found in native soil, and in the shade. Of the cultivated species, all require a warm, sunny situation in any ordinary soil, but no moisture. I never put on



any water, no matter how dry it becomes, and I always have an abundance of lovely flowers.

L. E. H.

Douglas Co., Oreg., Feb. 2, 1910.

Rose Microphylla.—Mr. Editor:—I have an old-time monthly Rose under the above name which is not doing well. It is a vigorous grower, and buds well, but just before the buds open the outer petals decay, and the Rose fails to bloom out. The plant continues to form buds long after my other Roses are gone, and I would like the Rose splendidly if this fault could be remedied. Please advise me what to do?

Mrs. J. Kennedy.

Botetourt Co., Va., Feb. 14, 1910.

Ans.—The Microphylla Rose is perfectly hardy, and for me it has always thrived well, and bloomed well in a sunny situation. Cultivate the ground in the spring, and when the blooming season approaches apply a liberal coating of stable litter to the surface soil. This will keep the roots cool and moist, and promote the healthy development of the buds. The plants sometimes lose a portion of their branches during severe winters. These injured branches should be removed in the spring, and the strength of the plant thus drawn to the healthy branches. It is said that a dead branch absorbs as much of the plant's nourishment as the live branches. Whether this is true or not, we know that to remove decayed or dead branches always promotes the vigorous growth of the other branches, and such pruning should not be neglected.—Ed.

White Flies on Fuchsias.—I find spraying with tobacco tea and frequently dipping in quite warm water is a pretty good remedy for white flies on Fuchsias.

Mary Allen.

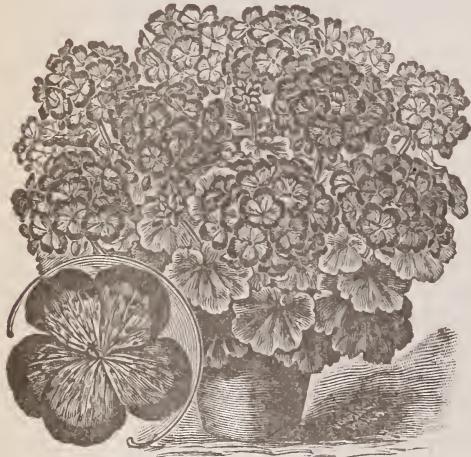
Middlesex Co., Mass., Jan. 29, 1910.

ABOUT GERANIUMS.

FROM SEEDS.—

SO W THE SEEDS in a hot-bed, or in shallow boxes in the house in March, covering about one-eighth of an inch. Transplant into three-inch pots about May 1st, using good garden loam and well-rotted manure. Water them thoroughly and then allow the soil to become dry before watering again. This tends to harden the new growth. Pinch off the tops of the Geranium plants to force them to make new growth. By the middle of September the plants should be cut back to the point where the wood begins to harden, and given a warm, sunny window.

Stocky, well-branched Geraniums give more flowers than tall ones. They should be always broad and tall to be at their best. Extra care



A WELL-BRANCHED GERANIUM PLANT.

needs to be given to Ivy Geraniums. Geranium seeds sprout up irregularly.

FROM SLIPS.—Slips should be taken from stocky plants. Fill a box full of sand. Pinch off all leaves except the two top ones. Cut the slip about four or five inches long. Before you set the slip in the sand, see if there is a bud. If the bud is green let it remain—it will develop a leaf; if it is any other color pinch it off, as it will take all the sap, being a flower bud. The sand should be moist but not soaked, or the little plants will decay. Geranium slips should be shaded the hottest part of the day, especially in summer. After the Geraniums have roots, transplant into 4-inch or 5-inch pots.

Edward J. Vlasak.
Chicago, Ill., Jan. 4, 1910.

Remedy for Moles.— I use bisulphide of carbon as a remedy for moles, and it is effective. I just put it on a piece of old flannel and put it in their holes, then cover quickly with dirt to keep in the fumes. It either kills them or drives them away, for I am not further troubled with them.

Mrs. A. E. Larson.

Thurston Co., Wash., Dec. 16, 1909.

POLYANTHUS NARCISSUS.

I THOUGHT I would write and tell the floral friends about my success with the Polyanthus Narcissus. My mother made me a present of these bulbs, which I planted in pots, and when the dreary winter days were with us, my flowers were blooming beautifully. I was delighted with them. There were often eight or ten flowers open at one time. They were so sweet-scented. I went out and gathered Ferns from under the leaves in the woods, and made little bouquets, and gave to my mother and friends. Winter days seemed less dreary with the lovely flowers in bloom. **POLYANTHUS NARCISSUS** I have a small collection of plants in the window, and they all do well, as I have a south window to put them in. But, floral friends, if you want something pretty, try the Polyanthus Narcissus. I intend to try Crocuses this winter. I do not have very good success with flowers outdoors in the summer, as I am too busy with my chickens, turkeys and garden, besides the care of baby, to see much about flowers.

Mrs. Stephen Vernia.

Crawford Co., Ind., Oct. 11, 1909.



Selecting Seeds.— At this season, when the Floral Catalogues come, I make a list with prices from the various catalogues at idle moments, and then compare prices and look up the requirements to see if I will be able to give them proper treatment for success, or use some other plant. When the time comes for ordering, I have a carefully prepared list, and a place selected for every plant. As soon as the order has been sent, I fill the selected pot with suitable soil for its plant, so that when the plants arrive I can set them properly without regard to weather or unfavorable conditions. Let the sisters try this plan and see how much time is saved, and how much the flowers will gain by not having to be moved from place to place to find suitable conditions.

M.
Franklin Co., Va., Feb. 15, 1910.

Rose of Jericho.— This plant is a small Cruciferous annual, which grows around the Dead Sea in the desert region. It bears minute white flowers succeeded by tiny pods containing a few seeds. When the seeds are ripe, the leaves drop off, and the branches interlace, enclosing the pods containing the seeds. Thus they become dry and rigid, and are blown about by the winds. When they reach a moist place, they unfold and scatter the seeds on fertile soil. I find them of very little value, as they turn dark when open for a week, and have an unpleasant odor.

Perkins Co., Nebr., Dec. 17, 1909. S.P.G.

LANGUAGE OF FLOWERS.

ASTER—Beauty in retirement.
 Bachelor's Button—Hope in misery.
 Balsam—Impatience.
 Bluebell—Constancy.
 Calla—Feminine modesty.
 Camomile—Energy in adversity.
 Carnation—Pride.
 Catchfly—A snare.
 Clematis—Mental excellence.
 Columbine—I can not give thee up.
 Cypress—Disappointed hopes.
 Dahlia—Elegance and dignity.
 Daisy—Beauty and innocence.
 Dandelion—Coquetry.
 Evergreen—Poverty and worth.
 Fir—Time.
 Forget-me-not—True love.
 Fuchsia—Humble love.
 Geranium, Rose—Preference.
 Geranium, Scarlet—Thou art changed..
 Geranium, Oak—True friendship.
 Geranium, Lemon—Tranquillity of mind.
 Goldenrod—Encouragement.
 Grape—Charity.
 Heliotrope—Devotion.
 Hibiscus—Beauty is vain.
 Hollyhock—Ambition.
 Honeysuckle—Fidelity.
 Hop—Injustice.
 Hydrangea—Heartlessness.
 Ice Plant—Your looks freeze me.
 Ivy—I have found one true heart.
 Jasmine—Amiability.
 Jonquil—Affection returned.
 Lady Slipper—Capricious beauty.
 Laurel—Virtue and true beauty.
 Lavender—Acknowledgment.
 Lemon—Discretion.
 Lilac—First emotion of love.
 Lily—Purity.
 Lily of the Valley—Heart withering in secret.
 Locust—Affection beyond the grave.
 Maple—Reserve.
 Marigold—Contempt.
 Mignonette—Moral beauty.
 Moss—Maternal love.
 Nasturtium—Patriotism.
 Nightshade—Dark thoughts.
 Pea, Everlasting—Wilt thou go?
 Pea, Sweet—Departure.
 Peach Blossom—I am your captive.
 Phlox—Our souls are united.
 Pine—Time and faith.
 Pink, White—Lovely and pure affection.
 Pink, Red—Woman's love.
 Primrose—Modest worth.
 Rosebud—Confession of love.
 Sage—Domestic Virtues.
 Sweet William—Gallantry.
 Thistle—Never forget.
 Tulip—Beautiful eyes.
 Verbena—Sensibility.
 Violet—Faithfulness.
 Wallflower—Fidelity in misfortune.
 Willow—Forsaken.
 Zinnia—I mourn your absence.

Carbondale, Pa.

M. E. Ketchem.

FLOWERS IN FLORIDA.

IN MY EXPERIMENTS on what kind of flowers do the best here, I have found Cannas, Caladiums, Gladiolus, Tuberoses and Lilies to be extra good among bulbs, any of them living in the ground over winter with no protection.

Vinea Rosea, Portulaca, Petunias, Sweet Alyssum and White Mexican Poppy (*Argemone grandiflora*) did well with me last year. Among vines are the Moon Flowers, Morning Glories, Gourds of all kinds, and Cypress. For pot plants the Geraniums come first, Weeping Lantana and Wandering Jew. Cactuses seem at home. They just thrive in our *ARGEMONE GRANDIFLORA*. hot climate. Coleus does extremely well, and the Begonias were fair, though I lost some with the scale. Lantanas, Oleanders, Abutilons and the more tender Chrysanthemums and everblooming Roses are perfectly hardy with us. I have found some flowers that are old "stand-bys" in the North which are nearly worthless in Florida. Among them are Sweet Peas, Dahlias, Flowering Almond, Pansies and Fuchsias. Asters, Phlox, Pinks, Carnations, etc., do fairly well if sown in late summer and kept for window plants in the winter; but the hot sun soon kills them in summer.

Mrs. L. Eastman.

Columbia Co., Fla., Jan. 22, 1910.

Abutilons from Seeds.—Last spring, amongst other seeds I bought was a small packet of Abutilon. I have at present five plants, but have given some away. Two of these have reached the height of three feet. One was especially lovely, blooming all the fall. I had to take all up and move them during the winter, so they are not blooming now. They are no more trouble to raise than a Petunia, and are easily started from seeds.

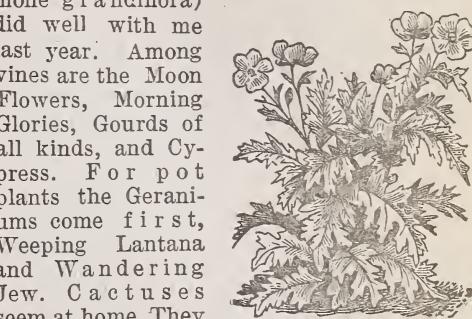
Mrs. Bertha Odell.

Jan. 11, 1910.

Cactus Names.—I have quite a collection of Cactus plants, and think them very odd and interesting, but I get so confused in exchanging with nicknames. I have a book in which I write the proper names on one page and the nicknames on the opposite page.

Mrs. S. S. Price.

Onon. Co., N. Y., Feb. 10, 1910.



CALAMPELIS SCABER.

FOR SEVERAL years I tried to grow Calampelis scaber from seeds, but without success, until three years ago, when one seed germinated from seeds sown in the house early in the spring. This one was growing finely, and was an inch or so high, when one day I went to work and forgot to take the box containing it in out of the sun; so, when I came home at night, I had no Calampelis.

About the first of September, following, I was planting some seeds of perennials in boxes to winter over in a cold frame, and with the others planted some more Calampelis seeds as an experiment. The next spring

two plants came up. I saved one plant, and planted it by the side of the house, and used a piece of wire netting for a trellis. It grew rapidly, and was soon in flower, and bloomed all summer.

The tubular flowers are very pretty. The vine is very delicate in both foliage and flowers. I was surprised in looking over the vine one day to find seed-pods forming. They look like tiny cucumbers, although it belongs to the Bignonia family. In ripening, these split lengthwise through the center.

In the fall I transplanted the roots into a cold frame with Antirrhinums, Campanulas, etc., that I was going to winter over for the next spring. I forgot all about it until the spring, when I found it growing. I admire plants of the Bignonia family, and this one is no exception. The greatest difficulty seems to be to get the plants started. The culture is simple in good garden soil. As the vine grows old it becomes leafless at the base, so should have other plants in front to cover this deficiency. My plant was in a bed beside the house, and trained on wire netting. Nicotianas were grown in front.

Anemos.

Somerville, Mass.

Myosotis or Forget-me-not.—The Myosotis is one of the best flowering plants, and of the easiest culture. Seeds start readily, and the plants begin to bloom in a short time. It is hardy here, and lives two or three years, thrives best in rich soil, partially shaded, and likes a great amount of moisture. Its bright, sky-blue flowers are excellent for bouquets, as they remain perfect for a week after being cut.

Douglas Co., Oreg.



MYOSOTIS.
Laura E. Hunt.

ISMENE CALATHINA.

No doubt, Ismene Calathina would make a lovely addition to the window garden, but I plant it in beds, and by growing it out-of-doors, I think the bulbs attain a much greater size, and as a result the flowers are larger and more numerous. Last summer a long, crescent-shaped bed filled with three dozen Ismene bulbs was the prettiest sight in my garden.

They sent up broad, strap-shaped leaves, ornamental themselves, but the crowning glory of each was from three to seven large, Amaryllis-like blossoms, pure white, with delicately cut and serrated edges, giving them a novel form that is difficult to describe. Each cluster was a bouquet in itself, and with the addition of some feathery green, made a combination that was greatly admired for its chaste beauty and delicious fragrance. An armful of the snowy blooms were strewn over the casket of one who had all her life loved these silent messengers, and one belated cluster bloomed triumphantly in honor of a happy bride.

For a succession of flowers during the season I interspersed clumps of Gladiolus, Montbretia, Heliotrope and Double Feverfew, with Sweet Alyssum for a border, and the bed was not without bloom all summer. The bulbs increase rapidly, and are kept through the winter the same as Gladiolus. Last fall, I am sure, I must have gathered two bushels of the bulbs, all sizes, that I had scattered around in convenient places in the garden.

The price of the bulbs, being listed from 20 to 25 cents, is not exorbitant, when it is remembered that they are heavy and require considerable postage; and then, too, they are reliable. If given a fair soil and a sunny place, they will not fail, as has been my experience with many bulbs lauded by florists.

If the plant had no flowers, the foliage would recommend it, as the broad, green leaves make a fine setting for other plants of sparser habit of growth.

Mrs. R. H. Brandt.
Johnson Co., Iowa, Jan. 18, 1910.



CALLA LILY.

Calla Lily.—Last fall I received a Calla Lily tuber from California, and put it in a half-gallon paint pail, where it grew nicely and started two leaves. Then it sent up a flower-stalk twenty inches high, and a flower opened. When it was fully developed another but smaller flower came out from the center of the first, starting from just below the cup of the first flower, opening out in the opposite direction. The yellow center did not grow in the first, but came out in the center of the second Lily. The first flower was somewhat larger than the second. I never heard of it happening so before. Is it something uncommon?

Fr. A. Shord.

Hemlock, Mich., Feb. 11, 1910.

Ans.—This Calla freak is reported occasionally, but it is not a common occurrence.—Ed.

OKLAHOMA WILDLINGS.

In describing the wild flowers in Oklahoma recently the lady writing missed two most beautiful specimens. One has a leaf something like a deeply cleft Chrysanthemum, is of low, trailing habit, and has cup-shaped flowers of the most beautiful, royal purple or crimson, followed by round "cakes" of seeds, like the seeds on Creeping Charlie that we used to play cheese cakes with. The seeds are flat, somewhat like Hollyhocks. The root is a tuber, and grows straight down two or three feet, tapering to a fine point.

Note.—The plant described is known as *Callirhoe verticillata*, and some seedsmen catalogue it as Creeping Hollyhock. It is a hardy perennial, and flowers all summer, the flowers being the size and shape of Single *Portulaca*. It is easily grown from seeds. See engraving.—Ed.

The other has foliage like *Portulaca*, only it branches. The blooms are delicate pink in clusters, and shaped like *Portulaca*, only smaller, and more cupped. I have both growing here, and they are beautiful. The branches of the pink-flowered roots, if merely stuck into the soil, like a dry, sandy place.

Mrs. H. A. Stankey.

East St. Louis, Mo.

Note.—The succulent plant bearing clusters of pink bloom is probably *Abronia Umbellata*, sometimes called Sand Verbena. It thrives in the far-western states, where the soil is nearly pure sand, and the sun shines with vigor upon it. This plant is also readily grown from seeds, especially after the dry husk which encloses each seed is removed. See engraving.—Ed.

Crape Myrtle.—I wonder that the Crape Myrtle is not more common in the

North. I planted two in my garden last year, and they were lovely, yielding great clusters of bloom, which lasted a long time. As a pot plant they are almost a rival to the beautiful Azalea. They are easily wintered in either a dark or light frost-proof cellar, and are very inexpensive. They can be had in four colors, red, pink, purple and white.

Mrs. M. Richards.
Vernon Co., Mo., Dec. 27, 1909.

How to Treat Roses.—I have a number of small Roses, thrifty young plants. As soon as a plant blooms, I cut it off with about six joints. I place the Rose bloom in water and the cutting in sand. This serves three purposes: it strengthens the bush and causes it to bloom more profusely; it produces another bush from the cutting; and I still have the blossom to greet me.

Mrs. R. W. Hamilton Co., Ohio, Jan. 14, 1910.

Maidenhair Fern.—I have very good success with Maidenhair Ferns, *Adiantum Cematum* and *A. Cuneatum*. They are so ethereal and delicate-looking, and yet seem to do better for me through the winter in the living-room than any other Fern.

Mrs. M. Richards.
Vernon Co., Mo., Dec. 27, 1909.

BEGONIAS AND GLOXINIAS.

I NEVER SUCCEDED well with Tuberous Begonias or Gloxinias. They grow, but are always spindling, and rarely flower. I plant the bulbs with the crown protruding, and water carefully. Very often the sprouts hang over the pot sides, and finally break off. I use leaf-mold. When in England I saw a mass of bloom and foliage. There they often start them from cuttings, and they seem to grow without trouble. How should I treat them?

Mrs. Richards.
Vernon Co., Mo.

Ans.—Tuberous Begonias thrive well in a compost of rotted sods, leaf-mold and sand with good drainage. They should be set with the crown protruding, as stated, and kept moderately watered while growing and in a partial shade, away from draughts of air. They must have plenty of light, and when grown in a window should be placed near to the glass. Do not let the hot sun shine on the sides of the pot. Avoid over-watering, but do not let the soil dry out. The same treatment should be given Gloxinias. These directions are simple, but will yield good results, if carefully followed.



GLOXINIA.

The Amole Plant.—Mr. Editor:—Answering the inquiry of Mrs. O. R., I will say that the Amole plant is botanically known as *Agave Brachystachys*. It belongs to the same sub-genus as our southern *A. Virginica* (*Mandreda*), in which the foliage and stems arise from a true bulb. The leaves are weak and soft, and die down annually, thus making it worthless as a decorative plant. The reddish flowers, however, are abundant in a compact raceme. I have no knowledge of it ever being offered by dealers. It is a native of Mexico, where it is a very important plant.

C. Y. Nelson.

Knox Co., Ill., Feb. 14, 1910.

Calla Lilies in Water.—Have you ever tried to raise Calla Lilies in water? In the fall of 1907 the dish that my Calla Lily was in got broken, and before I could get another dish the ground was frozen so hard that I could not get any dirt. So I put the bulb with the dirt adhering to the roots in a dish not over two inches deep. The water was not deep enough to cover the bulb. I expected to get dirt soon to set it out, but could not, and so there it stayed all winter. At Christmas time it had two blossoms and in March another bloom.

Mrs. Smith.

Eden Co., Mich., Feb. 10, 1910.

Weeping Lantana.—Instead of growing Weeping Lantana in a hanging-basket, I run it up on a frame, which I think is better. Thus grown it does not get broken at the ends, and blooms well. In the summer I set it out in the yard, and train it on a frame.

Macon Co., Mo., Feb. 10, 1910. Mrs. F.

FOR A SHADY WINDOW.

THE RELATED DANDELION.

LANTANAS BLOOM with but little sun, also Impatiens and Primroses. On a sideboard near the stove, where they get not a glimpse of sunlight, my Rex Begonias do exceedingly well, also Sanseveria and Aspidistra. A Victoria Begonia, bought two years ago, I have in a three-quart bucket hanging against the wall over the mantel. It has seventeen leaves and grew everyone one way, and drooping around the bucket, so that it is entirely hidden. The quaint wall decoration does not fail to elicit admiration from all who see it. I shall try growing another variety to contrast with this one next winter, and wish to get one similar in growth, but entirely different in coloring. What would the Editor suggest?—Subscriber, Cuy. Co., N. Y.

Note.—The beautiful Emperor William Rex Begonia differs entirely in markings from the Victoria, and is of easy culture. It would doubtless be found a satisfactory companion for the Victoria. One of the most handsome of the Begonia family is Mrs. Davis, which has large Ricinus-shaped leaves, and throws up a strong stem to the height of three feet, bearing an enormous cluster of flowers at its summit, often fifteen inches across. The flowers are waxy, light pink, and are exquisitely beautiful. Another valuable kind of the same class is the one advertised as Mrs. Morrison. It is not so robust in growth, and the flowers are somewhat deeper in color and larger, though produced in smaller clusters. Begonia Speculata is a lovely foliage Begonia, with large grape-like leaves, all radical. A large plant makes a grand clump of foliage. President Carnot is another beautiful kind, and has showy flowers as well as showy foliage. These Begonias are all of easy culture, and will grow in a shady window. Other plants for shade are Calla Lily, Parlor Ivy, Ferns, Palms, Saxifraga sarmentosa and Kenilworth Ivy. The latter makes a very graceful and beautiful basket for a densely shaded window. It thrives all the better if it does not receive a ray of direct sunlight.—Ed.

African Daisy.—Dear Mr. Park:—This is just to tell you that 1, for one, am much in love with your last year's novelty—the African Daisy. I am very partial to all Daisies, and thought this was one of the loveliest it has ever been my lot to meet. It was so brave and cheerful through all our terrible drought last summer. Many thanks for bringing it to my notice.

Mrs. Claude Coon.

Tompkins Co., N. Y., Jan. 17, 1910.

Poinciana Gillesii.—Here in Yavapai County, Ariz., this Poinciana is perfectly hardy, wintering without the slightest protection, and just blooming and doing fine for years. It freezes here pretty hard sometimes, too. It is a very pretty shrub, and deserves to be better known.

Mrs. B.

Yavapai Co., Ariz.

Umbrella Plant.—Two years ago I sowed a half packet of seeds of Cyperus or Umbrella plant, and last summer I had a large clump of the plants over three feet high. They were lovely and delicate looking, somewhat resembling a Palm.

Mrs. Myrta E. Perkins.

Gallia Co., Ohio, Jan. 18, 1910.

Dandelion—golden head,
Sighing all alone,
Calling to the Roses red—
Roses silent grown:
"Icy fingers hold me fast
In the chill November blast,"
Cried the Dandelion.

"Idly dozing time away,
Through the summer hours,
While the birds were singing gay
In their green-leaved bowers;
Now my face is freezing fast
In the chill November blast,"
Cried the Dandelion.

"Oh, to sooner wake and go
With the Roses red!
Better locks as white as snow
Than this yellow head
Tossing in the northern blast—
In the chill November blast,"
Sighed the Dandelion.

Wash. Co., Vt.

S. Minerva Boyce.

Sweet Peas.—My favorite garden flowers are Sweet Peas. Last year I sowed them on the twelfth of March, and they came into bloom early. Many persons asked me how I grew them to have the flowers so early. My Sweet Peas were the first to bloom in the neighborhood. They were admired by everyone who saw them.

Eddie Judd.

Page Co., Va.



SWEET PEA.

Shade for Flowers.—I have a number of old umbrellas which I find make a splendid shade for tender plants. When I have a large bed to cover, I place these umbrellas at scattered distances, and upon the outspread arms I spread sheets or tablecloths. This shading arrangement is far better than any other I know of.

Mrs. R. Winter.

Hamilton Co., Ohio, Jan. 14, 1910.

Giving Flowers and Slips.—I break off slips of easily grown plants and give them to the children. It is surprising how they will cherish them. Then I send slips to distant friends through the mail, thus dispensing pleasure to my flower-loving friends. Be generous, sisters, with your flowers; you need not rob yourselves, but share blossoms and slips with your less fortunate sisters.

Brown Co., Ohio.

Nellie.

Cosmos.—Last spring I bought a packet of Cosmos and sowed in a box, transplanting to the garden in May. The plants grew well, and bloomed in October, tall and beautiful. I shall buy some more this year.

Wm. A. Crennon.

Westchester Co., N. Y., Jan. 21, 1910.

Moles.—To get rid of moles, we find it very helpful to open the run a little and put in a handful of salt and cover it up.

Rhea Co., Tenn.

L. A. Daniels.

BALSAMS.

ALTHOUGH POPULAR already, I am sure the Balsam deserves to become generally known, for no flower with which I am acquainted will give such quick and satisfactory returns for the same amount of care as will the improved double Balsams. I invariably have a bed of them, and, although I give them very ordinary cultivation, I have frequently had such perfect specimens that they are mistaken for Roses by my friends, when exhibited as separate specimens.

As to culture, anyone who can grow Beans can grow Balsams, for the one requires no more care than the other, or at least such has been my experience.

I usually sow the seeds where the plants are to bloom, as early as danger of frost is over (which is about the last of April in this climate), and when the

DOUBLE BALSAM.

young plants are three or four inches high, I thin to stand about two feet apart each way, using the surplus plants to form other beds, or give them to my friends, for nothing is easier to transplant. After thinning, all that is required is to keep the soil stirred and the weeds removed, and by July 10th the sturdy plants are literally covered with the rose-like flowers, which continue to appear till frost.

A pleasing combination can be had by planting the center of the bed with crimson, following this with a row of scarlet, then a row of rose-color, and lastly a row of white. As the flowers are so numerous as to almost obscure the leaves, this arrangement shows them up to the best advantage, by showing each succeeding color on a background of a darker one. Similar effects may be obtained by using purple, violet, lilac and white, or salmon, yellow, light yellow and white. Even a mixed packet will afford a pleasing display.

Warren Co., Tenn. Jas. M. Bonner.



Red Nicotiana.—I have a Red Nicotiana in my window, which I grew from seed. It was blooming before Christmas and is now loaded with bloom, and still branching and budding. I think if the readers of the Magazine knew what a satisfactory plant it is, they would not fail to have one next winter.

Mrs. Gus Grove.

McLean Co., Ill., Feb. 7, 1910.

EASTER.

Joyful, joyful, happy Easter!
Bringing gladness to the soul;
Birds around engage in singing,
And their carols sweetly roll.
Buds of spring will soon be blossoms,
And their perfume fill the air;
Nature with us is rejoicing,
And the skies are bright and fair.

Happy Easter! sweet reminder
Of the things that are Divine;
"Of the hope that lies before us,
And the things that are sublime".
As we see new life up-springing
All around in every'thing,
And that Christ the Lord is risen,
We will let our praises ring.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 28, 1910. Albert E. Vassar.

A SONG OF SPRING.

"Cheer up, for the springtime is coming",
The robin is singing today,
And I, who've grown weary of winter,
His cheerful command will obey.

Grim winter a long time has held us
With fetters so cruel and cold,
But now the sweet spring that's approaching
Will soon all her beauties unfold.

Bright blossoms will soon deck the meadow,
Spring flowers will bloom 'round our door,
And in all the bright, sunny weather
We'll remember cold winter no more.

Then hail to the springtime that's coming,
With sunshine and flowers so gay!
And welcome the dear little robin
That sings of her coming today!
Polk Co., Neb., Feb. 19, 1910. Mrs. C. Babcock.

COLEUS FROM SEEDS.

IF YOUR POT-PLANTS froze last winter or for any reason you haven't as many as you would like, get some Coleus seeds and sow early this spring, give good soil, and repot as needed, and, my word for it, you will have as fine pot plants in a few weeks as you ever saw. They are as easy to grow as any of the hardy annuals, and so cheap that one can throw the plants away in the fall if they wish, and raise new ones from seeds in the spring. Out of a packet of seeds I never got two plants alike.

Columbia Co., Fla. Mrs. L. Eastman.



COLEUS.

Hardwood Cuttings.—Remember, in taking hardwood cuttings, to always cut close to a leaf-joint. The wood there is less pithy than at any other point. If the plant is in a growing condition the cutting will root more readily.

Ida C. Cope.
San Jose, Cal.



MORNING GLORIES.

Oh, dainty daughter of the dawn—most delicate of flowers!
How fitly do ye come to deck day's most delicious hours!
Evoked by morning's earliest breath, your fragile cups unfold
Before the light has cleft the sky or edged the world with gold.

Before luxurious butterflies and moths are yet astir,
Before the careless breeze has snapped the leaf-hung gossamer;
While sphered dewdrops, yet unquaffed by thirsty insect-thieves,
'Broider with rows of diamonds the edges of the leaves.

Ye drink from day's o'erflowing brim, nor ever dream of noon;
With bashful nod ye greet the sun, whose flattery scorches soon
Your trumpets trembling to the touch of humming bird and bee,
In tender trepidation sweet and fair timidity.

No flower in all the garden hath so wide a choice of hue—
The deepest purple dyes are yours, the tenderest tints of blue;
While some are colorless as light, some flushed incarnadine,
And some are clouded crimson, like a goblet stained with wine.

Ye hold not in your calm, cool hearts the passion of the Rose;
Ye do not own the haughty pride the regal Lily knows;
But, ah! what blossom has the charm, the purity of this,
Which shrinks before the tenderest love and dies beneath a kiss?

In this wide garden of the world, where he is wise who knows
The Bramble from the Sweet-brier, the Nettle from the Rose,
Some lives there are which seem like these—as sensitive and fair,
As far from thought of sin or shame, as far from stain of care.

We find sometimes these splendid souls, when all our world is young,
Where life is crisp with freshness, with unshaken dewdrops hung.
They blossom in the cool, dim hours, ere sunshine dries the air,
But cease and vanish long before the noonday's heat and glare.

And if in manhood's dusty time, fatigued with toil and glow,
We crave the fresh young morning-heart which charmed us long ago,
We seek in vain the olden ways, the shadows moist and fair—
The heart-shaped leaves may linger, but the blossom is not there.

The fairest are most fragile still, the world of being through;
The finest spirits faint before they lose life's morning dew.
The trials and the toils of time touch not their tender truth,
For, ere earth's stain can cloud them, they achieve immortal youth.

Mrs. Harriet J. Sutton.

Waverly, N. Y., Jan. 13, 1910.

THE BAGGAGE COACH AHEAD.

On a dark, stormy night, as the train rattled on,
All the passengers had gone to bed
Except one young man with a babe on his arm,
Who sat with a bowed-down head.

The little one then began to cry,
As though its poor heart would break,
When an angry man said: "Make that child stop its noise,
For you're keeping us all awake."

"Put it out," said another. "Don't keep it in here,
We've paid for our berths and want rest."
But never a word said the man with the child,
As he folded it close to his breast.

"Where is its mother? Go, take it to her."
This a lady then softly said.
"I wish that I could," was the man's sad reply,
"But she's dead, in the coach ahead."

REFRAIN.

While the train rolled onward, a husband sat in tears,
Thinking of the happiness of just a few short years;
For baby's face brings pictures of a cherished hope
that's dead,
But baby's cries can't waken her in the baggage coach ahead.

Every eye filled with tears with the story told
Of a wife that was faithful and true.
How he had saved up his earnings for years
Just to build up a home for two.

How, when Heaven had sent them this sweet little babe,
Their young, happy lives were blest,
In tears he broke down when he mentioned her name,
And in tears tried to tell them the rest.

Then every woman arose to assist with the child—
There were mothers and wives on that train;
And soon was the little one sleeping in peace,
With no thoughts of sorrow or pain.

Next morn at the station he bade all good-bye.
"God bless you!" he softly said.
And now each at home a sad story tells
Of the baggage coach ahead.

Chautauqua, N. Y., Jan. 10, 1910. Hazel Barton.

THE FAREWELL.

Farewell, noble ship! great bird of the sea!
Farewell 'till your journey is ended.
Take care of the dear one entrusted to thee,
And see he is carefully tended.

When the storm rages fiercest and winds blow a gale,
Keep safely your hale captive boy;
Let not his young heart grow weary or weak,
Keep his cup overrunning with joy.

When the wind tosses hard our old Red, White and Blue,
May his love for his country be true;
And while Uncle Sam's slave may he do well his part
With a patriot's heart fired anew.

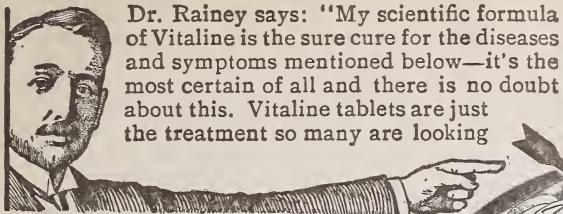
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Far out in the distance I see a mere speck
Coming nearer, borne up by the waves;
The winds toss it rudely, while fond waves caress it,
It's the ship coming back with the braves.

Return, noble ship, with your treasure unharmed,
Return and give back to our arms
The dear one we gave you to roam on the seas—
The dear one lured off by your charms.

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Be it ever so humble there is no place like home.
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ASSEMBLING OF THE FLOWERS.

Jack-in-the-Pulpit cried aloud: "Well, here we are at last!"

Old winter with its ice and snow is numbered with the past.

Come, Lily of the Valley, ring your bells so pure and sweet;

You know it is the signal for the flowers all to meet."

Now, Dandelion led the van with purple Columbine;

Followed by Apple Blossom and the graceful Cypress vine.

Then Daffodil and Anemone, with blue-eyed Pimpernel,

And Ferns, the Sword and Maidenhair, and Honeysuckle Bell.

The dainty Lady's Slipper came with modest Violet,

Flowering Almond, Lilac and the bright-faced little pet

Of children (and of grown folk, too), Lady's Delight, I mean;

With Cowslip, Lupin, Gentian and Moss, so fresh and green.

Tulip, Crocus, Forget-me-not, so beautiful and fair,

While fragrant, blushing, Meadow Pink perfumes the dewy air.

Solomon's Seal and Foxglove, too, stood 'neath a shady tree,

Syringa proudly raised her head, exclaiming, "Look at me!"

Thus, one by one, the flowers peeped out, each with a smiling face;

And Flora, nodding, whispered: "All have their chosen place.

Their mission is to comfort and to raise the soul on high,

And when they have accomplished this, they are content to die."

Bertha Liedean.

Nashua, N. H., Jan. 16, 1910.

THOUGHT WAVES.

Our thoughts have each a tinted wave,

According to its power,

And we, like soldiers good and brave,

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Cowley Co., Kan., Feb. 3, 1910. Mrs. Gates.

FLOWERS FOR THE SICK.

I wish our floral friends could have seen my bed of Snapdragon, Mignonette, Nicotiana and Nasturtium, all from Park's 3-cent packages, and with Sweet Alyssum that came the year before, and Roses. I furnished many a bouquet for the church last summer, and they were afterward taken to the hospitals or sick. I think if those who do not care for flowers were put on a committee to distribute flowers, and see what happiness they seem to bring, we would never hear some say they have no time to bother with flowers. I will tell you of one young man in particular, who had no friends or relatives here, and was in the hospital with typhoid. He had come under our minister's notice during his visits there. I wish you could have seen him when we brought him his first flowers. I hope to furnish many this summer. Will send a club of subscribers as soon as I get my Magazine. Can you send me January issue?

Mrs. Geo. Meister.

Allegheny Co., Pa., Feb. 4, 1910.

EDITORIAL NOTICES.

Children's Letters.—If the dear little folk do not find their letters in the Magazine, they must bear in mind that I receive more letters each month than would fill the Magazine, if all were printed. There is no partiality shown, but I aim to print the most newsy and interesting ones, regardless of who wrote them.

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Mr. Park:—We have been subscribers to your Magazine for fifteen years. We enjoy reading it, and anxiously wait for it every month. We regret it is not coming once a week, instead of once a month. Mother sent and got some mixed Pink seeds last year, and now she has a lovely bed of Pinks. There are seven of us children, and each one loves flowers, and enjoys their culture. California is a land of flowers, and anyone living here will soon be converted into a flower-lover. Why some people live a lifetime on a place without a flower or tree is beyond my understanding. Flowers not only add to the beauty of a place, but add to its value commercially. Flower-raising with us is a genuine pleasure, and is not considered work. Mother and I spend many a happy hour with our flowers. M. E. Martin.

Visalia, Cal., Dec. 17, 1909.

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Clio, Mich., Jan. 24, 1910.

Mr. Park:—I have been a reader of the Floral Magazine four years, and it is a welcome visitor to our home. I enjoy the floral talks and poetry, and I trust many new readers will be added to your list this year. Mrs. Carrie Cheek.

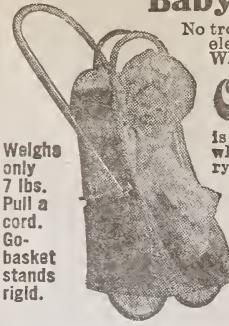
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When autumn's cold winds come,
So we try to save a few of them
And keep them in our home.

I love them in the winter best,
When all outside is cold;
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To watch their buds unfold.
Danville, Ill., Feb 3, 1910. Mrs. F. Back.

QUESTIONS.

Grease.—A sister recommends pouring the water that fresh meat has been washed in, on the house plants as a fertilizer. Is the fertilizing element grease or blood? If grease, why not put a little talcum in the water that is given them?

Cowley Co., Kan. Mrs. F.

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Mrs. E. G. M.

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CHILDREN'S CORNER.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little boy seven years old, and live on a little farm of eighteen acres, a mile from town. We have a cow named Bessie and one hog, forty-five hens and two roosters. I have a white hen for a pet. There are no little birds here now. It is too cold for them. We do not have a cat nor a dog. Mamma likes your Magazine. Noah Sanderson.

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Montgomery Co., Va., Feb. 14, 1910.

Geranium Leaves Curling.—Why do the leaves of my Geraniums curl up? We give our plants plenty of sunshine and water, but still the leaves curl up just as soon as they grow out.

Hampshire Co., Mass. Mrs. F. Baker.

Geraniums Dying.—The tops of my Geraniums die, and the trouble continues downward until the whole plant is dead. Who can tell me the cause and remedy?

Miss J. P.

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Primroses.—My Primroses were doing well last fall until I brought them into the house, then the buds blighted and the leaves turned black and curled up, and those that did not die did not bloom. What was the cause and remedy?

Mrs. M.

Franklin Co., Va.

Acacias.—Would some of the readers please write their experience in raising Acacias? State the soil they grow in best, the atmosphere they like, and whether they like sunshine or not.

Mrs. B.

Hampshire Co., Mass.

BRIEF ANSWER.

Egg Plum.—Mrs. Babcock, of California, has a Plum tree which drops its fruit as soon as it is formed. The bark has split and curled back, leaving the body of the tree exposed. She should whitewash her tree with fresh lime and sulphur, in equal parts, with a little salt added to make it adhere; then apply some of the lime upon the soil around the tree. This will promote the healthy growth of the bark, and bring the tree into a healthy condition. It may be that the plum curculio, a little snout-beetle, stings the young fruit and causes it to fall. If so, the fallen fruit will show a semicircle or crescent where the insect has stung it. To overcome this pest place a sheet beneath the tree and jar it, and the insects will drop and can be gathered up. They fold themselves up like a little dry bud, oblong, and not larger than a sweet pea. If the trees are jarred for two or three weeks after the blossoms appear, enough fruit for the tree to bear will be untouched, and develop to maturity.

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"You hear people say: 'Aren't they beautiful! I do so love flowers!' Well, they don't. People who truly love flowers love to see them growing where they belong, in the dusky depths of woods, banked by rich moss, jewel the fresh spring turf, glimmering above the russet of dead leaves, waving to the rhythm of gentle breezes. There they truly work out the miracle of life, giving us pause in our mad rush for attainment of some kind, to remember that 'even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.' No lover of wild flowers—no one who truly loves nature—will pick them. It is nearly always women who are guilty of this vandalism of destruction.

"It makes me sick to see great automobiles rolling into town with marvelous stars of snowy and rose-flushed Dogwood. Is it not enough that the owners of these cars can have the great privilege of flying through miles of country which is showered with these beauties of heaven? Must they torture and rend the slender, graceful trees that yield joy to all, just to satisfy their greed for possession? If ever I preach from a cart end it will be to exhort my sisters and my brothers—especially my sisters—to let the wild flowers grow where they belong and never to tear one away from its beloved home."

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We have all heard of the poverty of the church mouse, and it would be supposed that the school mouse would be a near relation. But in this teacher's school the little hungry mice are not destroyed or turned empty away, but are objects of kindness and charity, as the following note indicates:

Mr. Editor:—I am sure you would be interested in my little mice, if you could see them. There are several at school, and I do not allow the children to harm them. Two were so tame they would come to a crack above the baseboard and take things from my fingers. This morning one of the boys discovered one in the corn box (I have a box of corn to keep the wee folk busy). The mice had eaten about all of the corn, and this one was making a nest. It stayed there all day. This evening I put in a doughnut for it to eat. It allowed me to stroke it with my finger, and was still in the box when I left the schoolhouse. Most of my children now are interested enough not to want to kill everything they see.

It seems hardest to get them to think that snakes have as good a right to live as we have. I have told them that any snake they bring to me unharmed I will allow to bite me, so they may see that it is harmless. You know snakes are so generally despised, and there is really no cause for it. My sympathy, however, has always been with the under dog, even when I knew he was getting just what he deserved, and I was glad of it.

I did not always think that these little creatures around us had the same right to life as I. What caused my change of heart was this: I always liked a gun. Eleven years ago I shot a rabbit. It was a beautiful shot; the rabbit never knew what struck him. I ate a piece of that rabbit, and it tasted like murder. I shot another rabbit soon after, and I have tasted rabbit but once since eating a part of that one. I have not fired a gun since, and I never intend to eat rabbit again. I don't eat any other kind of animal or bird, excepting the kinds we raise for food. Neither will I wear fur of any sort, nor the feathers of any bird that had to be killed that they might be procured. Some of my friends think that I am a crank, but I don't care. As long as conscience says, "You're all right," I am satisfied. Some things look worse than savage to me.—B. Berks Co., Pa.

If all our public schoolteachers had such sympathy and refined feeling as this one, and similarly influenced the young minds, the rising generation would be far in advance of the present one in kindness and fellow-feeling. Our school-readers should be text-books along this line, and so prepared that the better nature would be developed and the moral character broadened and strengthened. As it is, the intellectual faculties are developed regardless of the sensibilities and the will, and thus we have an abnormal growth of the mind to the detriment of the happiness and welfare of

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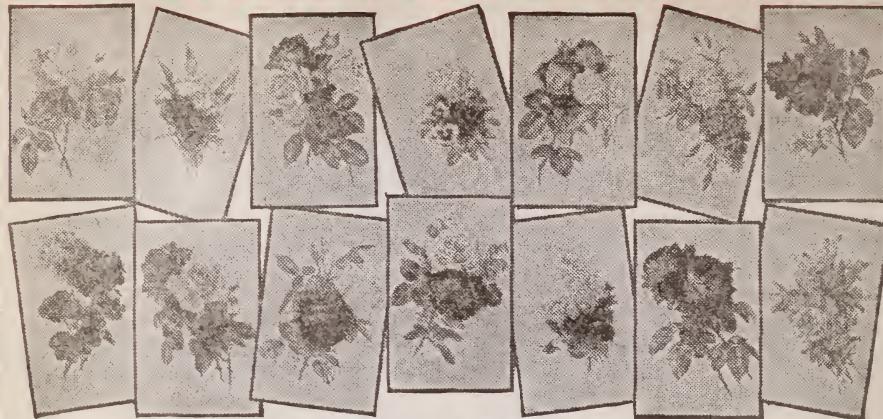
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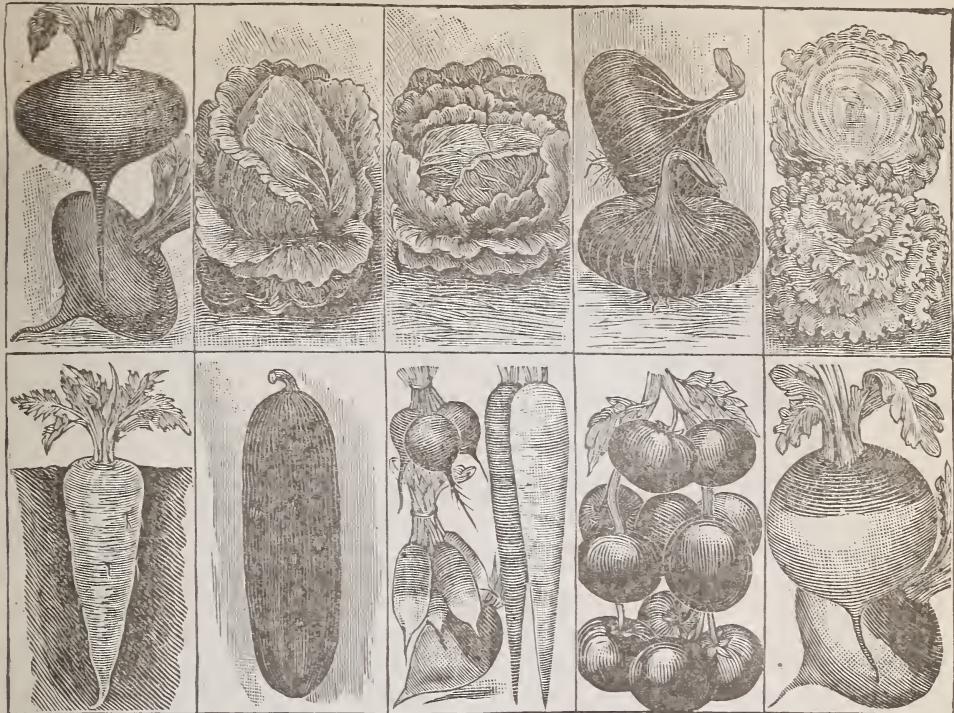
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try them for next year, having never seen them, but from descriptions they must be *CAMPANULA CARPATICA*. beautiful. They were really what I intended to get seeds of last spring, but did not know the variety to order, and thought *Calycanthema* right; however, they will be beautiful, I know.

I had seven plants of Sweet Williams that I raised, also ten plants of *Anchusa Italica*. I never read about or saw them, but from the description I wished to try them. I had two dozens of *Myosotis alpestris*. Several of these plants were cut off close to the ground, either by a fungus

or by root lice, but they have endured a cold, wet fall, as we had very late rains and often hard freezes after the rains; afterwards a heavy snow, which has been on the ground for several weeks at this writing.

I tried to raise these once before, and only succeeded in raising a few plants, that succumbed apparently at the first cold spell; but as I covered them closely the first nights, they must have smothered. However, these have survived so far, and I am very anxious to see them in bloom. The snow, of course, is the best protection of all to plants, and every day that it stays on, is a satisfaction to a flower-lover.

I also raised half a dozen plants of Perennial *Cosmos* (*Pyrethrum*). I had a pink one that I bought, and am desirous of having a bed of different colors.

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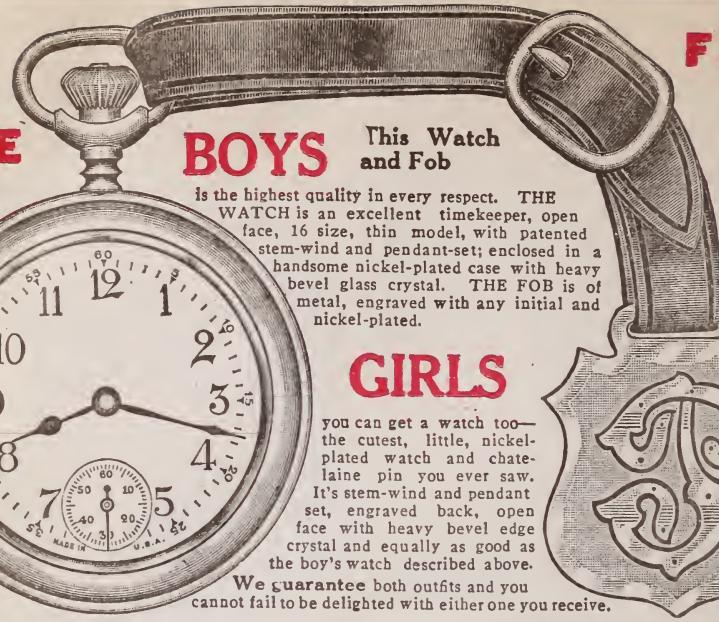
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Clara Simmons.

Brim, N. C., Feb. 3, 1910.

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Lila Turner.

Fristoe, Ky., R. No. 1, Feb. 14, 1910.

Dear Mr. Park:—We are little girls seven and nine years of age, and go a mile and a half to school. We love flowers and birds. Grandmother has two little Bantam chickens, and we like to go and see her and play with them. She had some pretty flowers last summer. Postals exchanged.

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Mr. Park: — I have just received my Floral Magazine for February, and how I wish everybody might read and profit by your remarks about tobacco and its effects. Would that it were printed in Farm and Home and other papers of influence, so that it might have a wider circulation. For over forty years I have been using my influence against the use of tobacco, but I fear I have not been able to do much good. I am glad to know, however, that one person was saved from its use, and I feel truly grateful for that.—Mrs. H. S., Broome Co., N. Y., Feb. 8, 1910.

Note.—If only those who are addicted to the tobacco habit could realize how disgusting and nauseating the smell of their breath and their clothing is to persons of refined taste, I believe their number would be very greatly diminished. It seems inconsistent and ridiculous for a man to put a Carnation in his buttonhole, perfumery on his handkerchief, wax upon his mustache, and then a disgusting roll of tobacco leaves in his mouth, defiling the air with nauseating smoke, thus giving offence to very many with whom he comes in contact, thus injuring his health and the health of others, and revealing his selfishness by his utter disregard for the rights and comfort of others.

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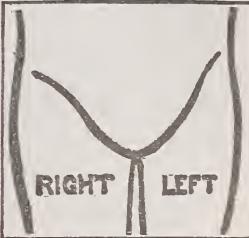
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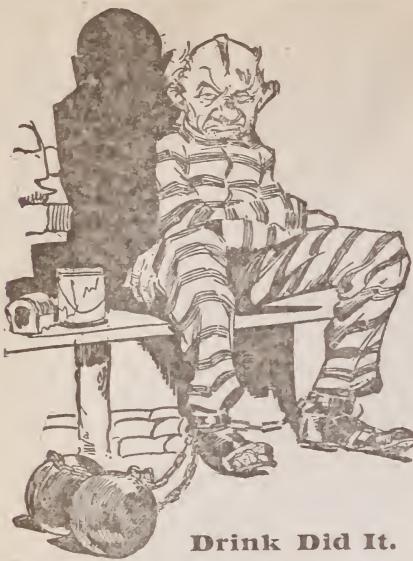
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THE TOBACCO HABIT.

Mr. Park:—Your article on tobacco in the February Magazine is meritorious and timely, and should be read and seriously considered by everyone, especially by the young up-growing ones, who are so often led, through ignorance of its evils, into the foul, nerve-destroying "tobacco habit", so-called. I desire to say that my age is now over three score and ten, and my observations, during that time, on the evil effect of tobacco upon its victims are positive and convincing. How can a tobacco fiend transmit to his offspring constitutional vigor and a long-enduring body, when he lacks both, and instead has but the heritage of blunted nerves, and a body saturated with the poison imbibed by the offensive use of tobacco? As I look around, and behold the nerve-stricken children, the offspring of inveterate tobacco users, and consider the frequent suicide of girl and boy students, and the many young men and women who have not the nerve to bravely meet and contend with the petty grievances and disappointments of life, but cowardly put an end to their lives, I say—sadly say, verily the sins of the parents are cast upon the children, a blight to the first and second generation, and often longer.

A native weed of Colorado, called Loco weed, kills the range cattle by affecting their nerves, causing them to go crazy, stagger, weaken and die. The Government is endeavoring to discover a prevention or a cure for the Loco poison. But what is the Government doing to destroy the Tobacco-weed poison, which kills men, women and children? I will answer by saying, they are doing nothing. On the contrary, but a few years ago, they introduced a new sort of tobacco for cultivation in the United States, which, being a stronger sort, will more effectually kill people. Why is this? It is because nearly all of our Government officials are slavish users of tobacco. In Colorado a State law requires school-teachers to explain to their pupils the poisonous nature of tobacco, and warn them of its evils. The example should be followed by other States, until the rising generation apprehend the evil effects of the tobacco habit, when common-sense will prompt them to avoid it.

V. Devinny.

Edgewater, Colo., Feb. 12, 1910.

P. S. I am a farmer 75 years old, and in good health and spirits, with steady nerves, as my writing indicates, and I never use tobacco except to kill parasites on plants.—D.

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Planning for Summer. — Dear Floral Folks:—It does not take much time or effort to plan for our flower garden during the winter and early spring. I like to take memoranda of seeds and plants that I wish to use, and in planning I find the Floral Magazine very helpful. I always aim to grow plenty of flowers, so as to have some for the sick, and to give to those who appreciate them. Carnations, Garden Pinks and Picotees, with Sweet Fern and Sweet Alyssum, always make beautiful and fragrant bouquets. The Sweet Fern (*Artemisia annua*) with its fine foliage and buds, so pretty and sweet, and its pleasing fragrance, is very useful in arranging a bouquet. I also like the sweet Petunias, and am trying to winter a few slips in the house. The plants are lasting during summer, and never stop blooming until the ground freezes up in the fall. A flower I never tire of is the Salvia. The plants become a blaze of scarlet beauty in summer, and continue until late autumn.

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Wolverine, Mich., Feb. 7, 1910.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a farm girl of thirteen, and am in the eighth grade at school. I walk a mile and a half to school. I take music lessons. We have taken the Magazine three years, and have lots of flowers in summer. Verna Mae Neff.

Pickaway Co., Ohio, Feb. 14, 1910.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a farm girl and live in the picturesque country where flowers are always blooming in summer. We are planning for a pretty little flower-garden this summer. Mamma likes your Magazine because it is so useful in the caring of flowers. Brother and I ride our dear little pony to school. We call it Jessie Whitecloud. We have many pets, among which is a little calf, Cherry Red, of which I am very fond. Postals exchanged. Enna M. Briner.

Oskaloosa, Kan., Feb. 12, 1910.

Dear Mr. Park:—We had beautiful Tulips and Hyacinths last spring from the Magazine bulbs. I am sixteen years old and live in a little town on a beautiful river. I would like to exchange view postal cards. Linda Carter.

Grand Rapids, Ohio, Feb. 13, 1910.

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Meriden, Conn., Feb. 7, 1910.

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Phyllocactus.—Miss D., of Brooklyn, N. Y., sends the editor a photograph of her Phyllocactus, which, in August, bore four big, open flowers at one time. Many of her neighbors came to see the blooming plant, and all were surprised and delighted.

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Ella M. Andrews.

Cook Co., Ill., Feb. 2, 1910.

Dear Mr. Park:—Mamma has taken your Magazine one year. I enjoy it so much. It is a treasure to all who love flowers. I am thirteen years old and live in a village. Postals exchanged. Elsie G. Mathews.

Bentonville, Va., Feb. 10, 1910.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a country girl eleven years old. I love flowers and birds. My favorite sport is horseback riding. Postals exchanged. Ina Boyer.

Anna, N. C., Feb. 6, 1910.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a boy of nine and live in town. I have a pair of bantam chickens, Betty and Teddy. I am in the third grade at school. We enjoy your Magazine very much, and can hardly wait until it comes.

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Beaver Co., Pa., Feb. 10, 1910.



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E. Kenny.

Jersey City, N. J., Jan. 7, 1910.

Mr. Park:—I am always delighted to get your Magazine. It has been a great help to me. I don't fail to see all that is in it before laying it aside. I have enjoyed your editorial letters so much. I wish you a happy and prosperous New Year!

Mrs. I. M. Growth.

Laporte Co., Ind., Jan. 12, 1910.

Mr. Park:—We appreciate your Magazine more than any periodical we receive, because it is so full of information concerning our flowers.

J. J. Tressell.

Hancock Co., O., Oct. 23, 1909.

Mr. Park:—I have not taken your Magazine very long, but feel that I can not do without it.

Miss A. Nelson.

Norfolk Co., Mass., Feb. 6, 1910.

Mr. Park:—I like your Magazine—it has so much good reading in it. I love to read about flowers and their culture.

Mrs. S. Glack.

Jasper Co., Mo., Jan. 24, 1910.

Mr. Park:—I have certainly appreciated your *Floral Magazine*, to which I have been a subscriber the past year. I wish to thank you for it.

Mrs. Lizzie Coleman.

Robertson Co., Ky., Jan. 26, 1910.

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GOSSIP.

Mr. Park and Floral Friends:—After reading the Magazine this month I thought

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I want to say to Aunt Sally that I have had experiences like she writes of, and feel just as she does about

the matter. But I do like to divide or exchange my plants with real flower-lovers, and help beginners along. If they really love flowers they can soon find it out. I also advise them to take Mr. Park's Magazine. I have a Begonia over three feet tall, very much like rubra, only the leaves are blotched with white; the blossoms are pink. Will some one name it for me? I have no trouble starting cuttings. I have over fifty different kinds of house plants, but a large Feasti Begonia and a Sultani are my pets. The Sultani is never without bloom.

Lillian Judy.

Moulton, Ala., Dec. 16, 1909.



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CORRESPONDENCE.

Mr. Park:—I have taken your Floral Magazine for years, and can not do without it. The Calla Lily I sent for on September 2d is now (December 17th) in full bloom. The flower is so pretty and waxy, while everything is dead outdoors.

Mrs. L. C. Calfer.

Fulton Co., Ga., Dec. 17, 1909.

Mr. Park:—Some people seem to like this country, but I can't laud it very highly. As for flowers, there are some nice Roses and Carnations where they are well cared for; but the moss and scale insect take everything if let alone. The only natural production that thrives and takes care of itself is the Fern family. The Ferns are very pretty.

Mrs. A. J. Evans.

Lewis Co., Wash., Jan. 18, 1910.

P. S.—I have taken your Magazine for 25 years, and it grows better all the time, and more of it each month.—E.

Mr. Park:—I asked and was answered how to make a Lilac bloom that had disgusted us for several years by not blooming; and by following your advice it bloomed the first year after (two blooms). That was about eight years ago, and it has increased its blooms each year, till last year it was covered. I would now like to know what to do with my Ferns. They are growing nicely, but are all in a bunch on top of the ground. Shall I transplant them? I am afraid they will not grow long this way.

Mrs. George Meister.

Allegheny Co., Pa., Feb. 4, 1910.

Ans.—Plants of Boston Fern and its varieties, as Pierson Fern, Tarrytown Fern and others, make fine clumps if the runners are kept pinched off. These runners issue from and bear their young plants at the surface, and while they absorb the strength of the old plant they impair its beauty. Take off the runners as soon as they appear, and the old plant will throw up more new fronds, and become larger and handsome with age.—Ed.

Dear Mr. Park:—For several years I have had a flower garden largely composed of perennials, such as Aquilegia, Delphinium, Gaillardia, Phlox in variety, Gypsophila, Anchusa Italica, Perennial Peas, Primroses, Campanulas, Aster, and Perennial Poppies. I have a long row of Cyclops Pinks, Stokesia and Pyrethrum. I also have Lilies of various kinds, Funkia and Hemerocallis as well as Holland bulbs. Last fall I planted two dozens of Roman Hyacinths, white and blue. These were not supposed to be hardy, but I ventured to buy and plant them anyway, for they are prettier, to my way of thinking, than the Dutch Hyacinths. I use annuals to fill in the vacant places. I have a border of German Iris, Peonies and Chrysanthemums. I hope to enlarge this border this spring, adding other varieties of Iris and also Peonies. Both of these are very hardy and require so little care. These flowers are all satisfactory, and my garden affords me much pleasure.

Mrs. McCoy.

Harrison Co., Jan. 17, 1910.

Mr. Park:—I have taken your Magazine a long time and tried to save every copy. One can get a good floral education by reviewing the back numbers occasionally. I should hate to give it up. My exchange offer of Umbrella plants brought more answers than I could fill. My stock was not equal to the demand.

Mrs. G. Wilcox.

Yates Co., N. Y., Jan. 3, 1910.

QUESTION.

Sow Bugs.—What will kill the sow bugs that sometimes infest our greenhouses? I am bothered to death with them. They eat the plants off just at the ground. I have tried a mixture of Paris green, lime and molasses with no success.

Mrs. G.

Worcester Co., Mass., Jan. 3, 1910.

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This Man Tells, Free of Cost or Charge, How Men and Women, Kidney, Bladder and Rheumatic Sufferers, May Cure Themselves at Home, FREE

He Sends the Book—The Prescription—and the Remedy to
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To All Who Write.

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If you suffer with Kidney or Bladder trouble or Rheumatism—if your days are a horror and your nights a despair with any of the symptoms of these strength-consuming, vigor-sapping diseases, such as—

1. Pain in the back.
2. Too frequent desire to urinate.
3. Burning or obstruction of urine.
4. Pain or soreness in the bladder.
5. Prostatic trouble.
6. Gas or pain in the stomach.
7. General debility, weakness, dizziness.
8. Pain and soreness under right ribs.
9. Swelling in any part of the body.
10. Constipation or liver trouble.
11. Palpitation or pain under the heart.
12. Pain in the hip joint.
13. Pain in the neck or head.
14. Pain of soreness in the kidneys.
15. Pain or swelling of the joints.
16. Pain and swelling of the muscles.
17. Pain and soreness in nerves.
18. Acute or chronic rheumatism.

Do This

Sit right down without one instant's further waste of precious time and send a letter, short, like this, to me: Dear doctor—I notice symptoms number (then put down the numbers). Sign your name and age and send it to me. That's all—send no money.

By return mail, sealed and secured and prepaid and free of charge, absolutely free of charge, or obligation on your part—I will send you help—a great deal of help, real, honest, practical, skillful, experienced help.

My Fourfold Free Offer.

First: I will give you a full and complete professional letter of advice on your case.

Second: I will send you a book—a great big book—the biggest book of its kind ever printed for the general public that tells in plain American language, fully illustrated by medical pictures, all about the cause, treatment and cure of Kidney, Bladder, Urinary and Rheumatic diseases and how modern scientific methods are curing them permanently, to the delight and astonishment of all—especially old school physicians who only a short time ago believed these ailments to be absolutely incurable.

How to Be Cured at Home.

Third: I will show you how you may cure yourself quietly and safely at home and send you a description of the ingredients of a recipe for Kidney, Bladder and Rheumatism that have the praise and recommendation for use in these dis-



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Write Me Today.

Write me today as I showed you—write me without fail—and by return mail sealed and free—positively secure from observation and absolutely free from all cost or obligation, I will send you prepaid—the letter—the book—the description of the prescription with which you may cure yourself in the quiet and privacy of your own home—and last, the medicine itself—carefully packed and all ready to do for you what it did for legions whose addresses I will send you.

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Town _____

State _____

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